

# TOWN REPORT

PITTSFIELD, N. H.

1955



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**of the Town Officers**

**of**

**PITTSFIELD, N. H.**

**for the fiscal year**

**Ending December 31, 1955**

**and of the**

**School District Officers**

**for the fiscal year ending**

**June 30, 1955**

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### Budget Committee

Term Expires 1956	Term Expires 1957	Term Expires 1958
Alfred Jenisch	James D. Adams	Richard E. Clark
Fred Spofford	Robert Hillsgrove	Cleon Plante
John Perkins, Jr.	John Varney	Gordon R. Weldon
Parkhurst Estabrook	Doria Riel	Jerome L. Van Horn
Selectman Adolph J. Daroska		School Board Thos. McKoan

## TOWN OFFICERS — 1955

*Moderator*

ADELARD R. PELISSIER

*Town Clerk*

FRANK S. HILLSGROVE

*Supervisors of Checklist*

HELEN C. AVERY

LIZZIE B. AVERY

RUSSELL F. WELDON

*Selectmen*

GILBERT S. PAIGE

E. B. HODGINS

ADOLPH J. DAROSKA

*Town Treasurer*

VICTOR E. TRACE

*Tax Collector*

H. THURLOW AMES

*Overseer of Poor*

LEONARD S. RIEL

*Health Officer*

RUSSELL F. WELDON

*Trustees of Trust Funds*

MARK DAVIS

HENRY J. DANIS

HOWARD THORPE, JR.

*Trustees of Carpenter Library*

FRED W. REED

SYBIL G. PEASE

CLARICE J. CONSTANT

*Board of Fire Wards*

CLARENCE ROBIE

PHILIP W. SHERBURNE

CURTIS S. PERRY

*Superintendent of Fire and Police Alarm Systems*

WILLIAM B. ELY

*Forest Fire Warden*

FRED W. REED

*Road Agent*

JOHN A. MAXFIELD

*Municipal Court*

EDMOND J. STAPLETON

KENARD F. AYLES

*Justice**Special Justice*

*Police Officers*

CHARLES ELKINS

WALTER D. SMITH

*Auditors*

PHILIP W. SHERBURNE

WAYNE B. EMERSON

EDMOND J. STAPLETON

*Town Forestry Committee*

FRANK T. GARLAND, Chairman

RICHARD FOSS

WILLIAM FREESE

*Tree Warden*

FRANK T. GARLAND

*Town Counsel*

SAMUEL HOLMGREN

*Representatives to General Court*

Sen. ERALSEY C. FERGUSON

Rep. E. HAROLD YOUNG

Rep. MARY AYER

*Civil Defense*

RICHARD HERRICK

WILLIAM B. ELY

**ROSTER OF PITTSFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Chief

Philip W. Sherburne

Asst. Chief

Curtis Perry

Asst. Chief and Clerk

William B. Ely

Supt. of Fire Alarm

William B. Ely

**Company No. 3**

Walter Sheehan, Capt.

Reuben Leavitt

Charles Elkins, 1st Lieut.

Edgar Bouchard

Doria Drolet, 2nd. Lieut.

Arthur Constant

George Rogers, Clerk

Carl Howe

Benjamin Newlands

Harry Wicks

Edward Garland

Paul Riel

Edward Genest

Clifton Barton

Bruce Adams

**Company No. 4**

Clyde Boyd, Capt.

Archie Rogers

Clifton Richardson, 1st. Lieut.

Nestor Perry

Albert Riel, 2nd. Lieut.

Hervey Bouchard

Charles Adams, Clerk

Kenneth McKenzie

Fred Reed

Felix Jenisch

Thomas Kenneally

Steven Davis

Harry Ordway

Willis Pethic

George Reed



## A COMMUNICATION

Board of Selectmen  
Pittsfield  
New Hampshire

Dear Sirs:

It gives me great pleasure to notify you that I shall donate the sum of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) to the Town of Pittsfield for Band Concerts during the coming summer.

I shall appreciate it if you would have this information given to the citizens of the town at the coming town meeting.

I might add that I would like to make this gift as a memorial to my late father, Nathaniel S. Drake, who for a period of many years took an active interest in the welfare of the town.

I am much pleased with the fine progress of the Pittsfield Band and I am sure that all the citizens of Pittsfield share this view.

Very Sincerely yours,

J. FRANK DRAKE

## TOWN WARRANT

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Pittsfield in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs;*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Pittsfield on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, and at Greenleaf Auditorium at seven of the clock in the evening.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

1. Town Officers' Salaries	\$6,000.00
2. Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00
3. Election and Registration	600.00
4. Municipal Court	200.00
5. Town Hall and other Buildings	600.00
6. Forest Fire	400.00
7. Police Department	2,600.00
8. Fire Department	5,900.00
9. Blister Rust and care of Trees	1,700.00
10. Insurance	1,500.00
11. Civil Defense	50.00
12. Concord Hospital	
Without Recommendation	500.00
13. Health Department	200.00
14. Vital Statistics	100.00
15. Sewer Maintenance	1,900.00
16. Town Dump	600.00
17. Tar for Streets	4,500.00
18. Summer Maintenance	10,000.00
19. Winter Maintenance	7,900.00
20. Street Lighting	4,411.68
21. General Expense, Highway Department	3,000.00
22. Town Road Aid	656.41
23. Libraries	3,000.00
24. Town Poor	2,500.00
25. Old Age Assistance	4,000.00
26. Memorial Day	200.00
27. Aid to Soldiers and their Families	600.00
28. Parks, Playgrounds and Band Concerts	750.00
29. Water for the Town	4,030.00
30. Cemeteries	100.00
31. Damage and Legal Expenses	50.00
32. Advertising Pittsfield	50.00



33. Lakes Region Association	
Without Recommendation	299.00
34. Social Security	500.00
35. Interest on Temporary Loans	625.00
36. Interest on Long Term Notes and Bonds	1,030.00
37. Sidewalk Construction	500.00
38. Payment on Principal of Bonds	4,000.00
39. Payment on Principal of Note	3,000.00

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22 for a streetlight about half way between the residences of Chauncey Emery and Ernest Watson.

4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of 1956 taxes, the same to be paid from that year's levy.

5. To see if the town will vote to permit the playing of games of Beano in Pittsfield in accordance with Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws. (On the Ballot)

6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Non Partisan System of balloting for Town Officers. (On the Ballot)

7. To see if the Town will show its preference as to which road should next be scheduled for improvement with TRA funds - Tilton Hill Road from George Rogers to Dan Adels or the Webster Road from George O. Lockes to John Buffums.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following Trust Funds:

1. Hazel W. Hurd % $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 13 Avenue 1 Floral Park	\$150.00
2. Leonard and Anna I. Amadon, % $\frac{1}{2}$ lot Floral Park	150.00
3. Katherine L. Leeds, Care of William A. Sheehan Lot, Floral Park	200.00
4. Evelyn Erickson, care of Frank Abbott lot, Floral Park	200.00
5. Lida J. Smith, care of Benjamin F. Smith lot Floral Park	300.00
6. Alfred B. Marsh, care of Samuel Marsh lot Floral Park	200.00
7. Gladys M. Wilson, care of Grace Gordon lot Floral Park	85.00
8. Ena Farwell, care of Wallace and Ena Farwell lot Floral Park	200.00
9. W. D. and William Small, care of Walcott - Small lot, Floral Park	100.00
10. Mrs. F. A. Walker, care of John and Frank A. Walker lot Floral Park	700.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, care of John A Walker lot Floral Park	500.00

Mrs. F. A. Walker, care of Ashael Easton lot Floral Park	300.00
11. Scott A. Cutler, care of Frank M. Cutler lot Floral Park	250.00
12. Herbert Ames, care of E. half lot, 8 Avenue J, Row 2, Floral Park	150.00
13. Helen Jaques, care of Edward Mack and Phil D. Parsons lot, Floral Park	300.00
14. Frank W. True Est., care of Frank W. True lot Floral Park	100.00
15. Lizzie B. Avery, additional on William Gould lot Floral Park	50.00
Lizzie B. Avery, additional on Burt and Lizzie Avery lot, Floral Park	50.00
16. Alice G. Drew, care of Elbridge G. Drew lot Floral Park	300.00
17. Cora I. Fellows, care of Elvira Smith lot 6 S. E. side Ave. E., Floral Park	200.00
18. Roland G. Hartwell Exec., care of Lewis R. Buswell lot, Floral Park	300.00
19. Clifton Richardson, care of Fred and Mary Richardson lot, Floral Park	150.00
20. Rose M. Stilson Est., care of Richard J. and Rose M. Stilson lot, Floral Park	200.00
9. To transact any other business that may legally come be- fore said Meeting.	

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty six.

GILBERT S. PAIGE

A. J. DAROSKA

E. B. HODGINS

Selectmen of Pittsfield

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GILBERT S. PAIGE

A. J. DAROSKA

E. B. HODGINS

Selectmen of Pittsfield

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT 1955

The Number One project in 1955 was the reconstruction of Depot St. from Elm St. to Tilton Hill Road, and Carroll St. from Cram Ave. to the Barnstead Bridge. The modern pavement, curb, and sidewalks have given this part of town the New Look. The tireless efforts of Resident Engineer Lloyd Sawyer compensated for the inexperience of the willing Contractor to produce a durable and workmanlike job. The new storm sewer has ample capacity to drain the area and all that is necessary to prevent recurrent flooding of the Depot St. business area is to keep the gutters and basins clean.

When the job was advertised alternate bids were taken on both Granite and Concrete curbing. Because the total cost was so far in excess of the original estimate it was decided to build the less expensive concrete curbing and hold the rest of the job intact. Since concrete curb will not last as long as granite it was suggested that we renegotiate with the State to get as much granite curb as possible. It was finally decided that granite curb would be used in front of business places and asphalt curb at other locations at an increased cost to the town of about \$550. The bulk of which could be provided from our sidewalk appropriation.

Excavated material from this job was available for the hauling, and several hundred yards were hauled to the Town Dump to smother the most objectionable features and improve the roadway to the brow. The dump itself has been settling into the swamp for some years causing the swamp muck to rise beyond the dump perimeter. This raising of the swamp floor blocked the channel which drained the swamp. During the past summer, a new ditch was opened around the southerly border of the swamp and the water level lowered more than a foot.

In accordance with the vote taken at last Town Meeting the Town Factory on Catamount Street, occupied by Adams Brothers was deeded to them. Adams Brothers in return deeded to the Town their factory on Joy Street occupied by Pittsfield Shoe Company. More than 1,000 yards of excavated material from the Depot Street job were hauled and dumped in the area between the Joy Street factory and the Leather Company's storage yard. A long section of the old canal was filled adding to the available parking space in this area.

A 400 foot extension of the sanitary sewer on Concord Hill was accomplished with the only expense being the furnishing and laying of the pipe. This opportunity arose when the State Highway forces began an underdrain project to eliminate the

frost heaves on Concord Hill. With free digging of the trench and later backfilling it seemed like too good an opportunity to miss.

Fairview Road was reshaped and graveled from Mack's Corner to Paul Prescott's. It is hoped that this year the surface can be widened and tarred. To extend this work from Paul Prescott's by Bob Fischer's to join the present tarred surface near Clark's Brook will be a major project involving some relocation, a lot of fill and considerable money.

Again this year we were indebted to Colonel Drake for sponsoring the summer Band Concert series. We have an excellent Band and it is a great pleasure for us all to be able to hear them. To those of us some years removed from our childhood Band Concerts are a tie with the past and particularly enjoyed for that very reason.

Another contribution to the community was made again this year by Catamount Grange. Both Floral Park and the Town Hall cemeteries were clipped and raked so they presented a uniformly well kept appearance. This effort on the part of the Patrons has accomplished a much needed and much appreciated improvement.



## REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
FROM STATE:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	3,461.00	\$3,461.00	\$3,461.00
Railroad Tax	30.00	26.75	27.00
Savings Bank Tax	245.00	698.33	700.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	909.00	1,797.20	312.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		36.41	
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:			
Dog Licenses	570.00	493.50	450.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	125.00	59.00	100.00
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court	360.00		
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	1,200.00	1,573.73	1,200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	8,365.00	9,608.73	7,500.00
Sale of Town Property	50.00	50.00	
AMOUNT RAISED by ISSUE of BONDS or NOTES:	3,000.00	3,000.00	
FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES:			
(a) Poll Taxes - Regular @\$2	1,918.00	1,864.00	1,900.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	265.00	265.00	265.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES			

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town Officers' Salaries  
 Town Officers' Expenses  
 Election and Registration Expenses  
 Municipal Court Expenses  
 Expenses Town Hall and other  
 Town Buildings

## PROTECTION of PERSONS and

## PROPERTY:

Forest Fires  
 Police Department  
 Fire Department  
 Moth Exterm. - Blister Rust and  
 Care of Trees  
 Insurance  
 Civil Defense

## HEALTH:

Concord Hospital  
 Health Department  
 Vital Statistics  
 Sewer Maintenance  
 Town Dump

## HIGHWAYS and BRIDGES:

Tar for Streets  
 Town Maintenance - Summer  
 Town Maintenance - Winter  
 Street Lighting  
 General Expenses of Highway  
 Department

Town Road Aid

	Appropriations Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Appropriations Recom. By Budget Committee 1956	Recommendations Sub. Without Budget Com. 1956
Town Officers' Salaries	6,000.00	\$5,747.65	\$6,000.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00	1,406.62	1,500.00	
Election and Registration Expenses	300.00	398.70	600.00	
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00	211.00	200.00	
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Buildings	600.00	703.73	600.00	
Forest Fires	400.00	994.03	400.00	
Police Department	2,600.00	2,657.48	2,600.00	
Fire Department	5,400.00	6,481.81	5,900.00	
Moth Exterm. - Blister Rust and Care of Trees	1,700.00	1,640.43	1,700.00	
Insurance	1,500.00	2,255.10	1,500.00	
Civil Defense	50.00	40.00	50.00	
Concord Hospital	200.00	200.00		500.00
Health Department	250.00	203.00	200.00	
Vital Statistics	100.00	88.50	100.00	
Sewer Maintenance	700.00	1,338.53	1,000.00	
Town Dump	250.00	997.71	600.00	
Tar for Streets	4,500.00	7,444.30	4,500.00	
Town Maintenance - Summer	10,000.00	11,035.39	10,000.00	
Town Maintenance - Winter	6,500.00	7,420.55	7,000.00	
Street Lighting	3,880.00	3,955.08	4,411.68	
General Expenses of Highway Department	3,000.00	3,863.68	3,000.00	
Town Road Aid				656.41



299.12

LIBRARIES:			
Libraries	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Town Poor	2,500.00	2,509.40	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	3,849.10	4,000.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:			
Memorial Day	150.00	200.00	200.00
Aid to Soldiers and Their Families	600.00	570.64	600.00
RECREATION:			
Parks and Playgrounds, Incl.			
Band Concerts	250.00	622.00	750.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:			
Water	2,500.00	2,500.00	4,030.00
Cemeteries	100.00	75.00	100.00
UNCLASSIFIED:			
Damages and Legal Expenses Incl.			
Dog Damage	50.00		50.00
Advertising			50.00
Employees' Retirement and			
Social Security	450.00	1,061.58	500.00
INTEREST:			
On Temporary Loans	500.00	605.00	625.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	1,000.00	990.00	1,030.00
HIGHWAYS and BRIDGES:			
Sidewalk Construction	500.00	54.99	500.00
PAYMENT on PRINCIPAL of DEBT:			
(a) Bonds	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
(b) Short Term Notes	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
County Taxes	9,547.73	9,547.73	9,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$82,277.73	\$91,638.73	\$86,953.09

DORIA W. RIEL	JOHN B. VARNEY	JEROME L. VAN HORN
ADOLPH J. DAROSKA	THOMAS F. MCKOAN	GORDON R. WELDON
FRED R. SPOFFORD	CLEON R. PLANTE	JOHN H. PERKINS, JR
RICHARD C. CLARK	CHARLES S. COLBY	ALFRED F. JENISCH
L. PARKHURST ESTABROOK	JAMES D. ADAMS	<i>Budget Committee</i>

## BALANCE SHEET

## Assets

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$8,390.08
In hands of officials (Overseer of Poor)	50.00
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Henry Chagnon, Fire	26.05
Daniel Webster Realty Co., - Sewer	40.15
Floyd Corson - Tree Repair	12.00
Russell Knowles	27.00
Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of)	
Levy of 1954	2,280.37
Levy of 1953	1,471.29
Previous Years	700.77
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1955	41,920.40
Levy of 1954	22.00
State Head Taxes — Levy of 1955	1,625.00
State Head Taxes — Previous Years	40.00
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> \$56,605.02
Excess of Liabilities over Assets (Net Debt)	21,201.66
GRAND TOTAL	<hr/> 77,806.68
Net Debt, December 31, 1954	16,308.48
Net Debt, December 31, 1955	21,201.66
Increase of Debt	4,893.18

# BALANCE SHEET

## Liabilities

### Accounts Owed by the Town:

Bills outstanding	\$1,484.09
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations:	
1953 Advertising	285.00
1949 Benches Town Hall	100.00
1955 Tar for Streets	844.32
1955 Sidewalk Construction	445.01
Reserve a/c Future Yield Tax Loss	4,622.98

### Due to State:

State Head Taxes — 1955	
Uncollected	\$1,625.00
Collected - not remitted to State Treas.	350.00
	1,975.00

### Due to School District:

Balance of Appropriation	32,695.06
1953 Town History Income	110.39
1954 Town History Income	154.33
1955 Town History Income	90.50
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	3,000.00
Bonds Outstanding:	32,000.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$77,806.68</u>
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GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$77,806.68</u>
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# STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

1953 PITTSFIELD TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT BONDS

\$4,000

Payable at Pittsfield National Bank—November 1st Each Year

2¾ % Interest Payable

At Pittsfield National Bank

May 1st & November 1st Each Year

1955 — 1963

Year	Annual Principal Payment	Annual Interest Cost	Total Annual Budget Charge
1956	\$4,000	\$880	\$4,770
1957	4,000	770	4,880
1958	4,000	660	4,550
1959	4,000	550	4,550
1960	4,000	440	4,440
1961	4,000	330	4,330
1962	4,000	220	4,220
1963	4,000	110	4,110
TOTALS	<u>\$36,000</u>	<u>4950</u>	<u>40,950</u>

## APPROPRIATIONS 1955

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$6,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,500.00
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Buildings	600.00

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	2,600.00
Fire Department	5,400.00
Moth Extermination - Blister Rust and Care of Trees	1,700.00
Forest Fire	400.00

#### Health:

Health Department, including hospitals	450.00
Sewer Maintenance	700.00
Vital Statistics	100.00
Town Dump	250.00

#### Highways and Bridges:

Tar for Streets	4,500.00
State Aid Reconstruction	3,000.00
Sidewalks	500.00
Town Maintenance - Summer	10,000.00
Town Maintenance - Winter	6,500.00
Street Lighting	3,880.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	3,000.00
Insurance	1,500.00

#### Libraries:

Libraries	3,000.00
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#### Public Welfare:

Social Security	450.00
Town Poor	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00

#### Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	150.00
Aid to Soldiers and Their Families	500.00

#### Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, Trees	250.00
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#### Public Service Enterprises:

Water	2,500.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Civil Defense	50.00

#### Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses, Incl. Dog Damage	50.00
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#### Interest:

Temporary Loans	500.00
On Bonds	1,000.00
Payment on Principal	4,000.00

#### Taxes:

County Tax	9,547.73
School Tax	97,695.06

Total	\$179,472.79
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## INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF PITTSFIELD

April 1, 1955

Land and Buildings		\$2,351,065.00
Electric Utilities	2	141,039.00
Horses	22	1,350.00
Cows	271	20,620.00
Other Neat Stock	62	3,850.00
Sheep and Goats	19	245.00
Hogs	1	25.00
Fowls	4,671	2,975.00
Fur Bearing Animals	10	250.00
Road Building Machine		8,500.00
Wood and Lumber		31,725.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	23	5,950.00
Stock in Trade		390,700.00
Mills and Machinery		130,150.00
Aqueducts		60,000.00
Total		<u>\$3,147,944.00</u>
143 exemptions to soldiers and blind		156,650.00
Total value less exemptions		<u>2,991,294.00</u>
Amount of Taxes Committed to the Collector		
Poll Taxes		1,918.00
Property Taxes		164,521.17
National Bank Stock Tax		265.00
Total		<u>\$166,704.17</u>
Average rate per cent \$5.50		
Number of Inventories distributed		808
Number of Inventories returned		398
Number of Veterans receiving Prop. Exemption		157
Number of Veterans receiving Poll Tax Exemption		285



## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$25,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,500.00
2. Carpenter Library, Lands and Buildings	20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	20,000.00
3. Police Department, Lands and Buildings	500.00
Equipment	300.00
4. Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	7,500.00
Equipment	16,500.00
5. Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	2,500.00
Equipment	9,000.00
Materials and Supplies	1,000.00
6. Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	1,500.00
Drake Athletic Field	20,000.00
7. Schools, Lands and Buildings	200,000.00
Equipment	20,000.00
8. Tax Title Properties	
Lane and Hartwell lot	2,000.00
Folsom Land	250.00
Rose and Calax Page Homestead	800.00
Town Factory, Land, Building, Equipment	25,000.00
Leased Factory Equipment	2,000.00
Town Dump	100.00
Pest House lot	1,000.00
Sargent Town Forest	500.00
Dustin - Barker Town Forest	750.00
Frank P. Green Town Forest	500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$384,400.00</b>

# COMPARATIVE TABLE OF INDEBTEDNESS, VALUATION AND TAXES

## Ten-Year Period

Fiscal Year Ended:	Long Term Notes	Net Debt or (*) Surplus	Valuation	Total Taxes Assessed	Uncollected Taxes	Unredeemed Taxes	Tax Rate Per \$100 Local	Average State Tax Rate Per \$100
December 31, 1947	3,000.00	(*) 5,853.47	2,807,807.00	114,673.28	12,589.59	257.58	4.00	3.71
December 31, 1948	2,000.00	(*) 3,697.04	2,811,969.00	115,569.35	18,443.73	773.92	4.03	4.06
December 31, 1949	1,000.00	1,592.29	2,736,152.00	141,792.75	25,159.65	724.06	5.10	4.31
December 31, 1950		(*) 11,927.59	2,655,950.00	134,391.07	33,528.51	1,616.88	5.06	4.31
December 31, 1951	3,000.00	(*) 14,217.80	2,800,000.00	133,381.12	30,601.43	2,380.92	4.70	4.35
December 31, 1952	1,500.00	(*) 13,281.43	2,852,340.00	154,026.36	35,570.93	2,015.63	5.50	4.52
December 31, 1953	40,000.00	26,688.97	2,883,000.00	160,786.00	38,991.25	2,847.11	5.50	4.48
December 31, 1954	36,000.00	16,308.48	3,047,235.00	169,776.93	41,944.24	3,099.65	5.50	4.64
December 31, 1955	35,000.00	21,201.66	2,991,294.00	164,521.17	43,607.40	4,452.34	5.50	4.66

# COMPARATIVE TABLE OF TAXABLE VALUATION AND TAXES ASSESSED

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Land and buildings .....	\$1,197,110.00	\$1,982,615.00	\$1,879,310.00	\$2,089,750.00	\$2,104,320.00	\$2,114,520.00	\$2,197,910.00	\$2,225,640.00	\$2,351,290.00	\$2,351,065.00
Growing wood and timber ..	18,870.00	10,245.00	10,375.00	12,375.00	105,500.00	113,587.00	134,290.00	135,513.00	140,675.00	141,039.00
Electric utilities .....	70,550.00	98,000.00	104,500.00	105,482.00	105,500.00	3,425.00	1,825.00	2,125.00	1,575.00	1,350.00
Horses .....	6,525.00	5,330.00	4,755.00	5,070.00	4,575.00	33,495.00	30,185.00	4,835.00	28,000.00	20,620.00
Cows .....	34,830.00	33,575.00	30,745.00	32,550.00	37,210.00	237,500.00	3,320.00	320.00	4,300.00	3,350.00
Other neat stock .....	3,860.00	3,395.00	2,295.30	4,480.00	3,090.00	290.00	295.00	50.00	320.00	245.00
Sheep and goats .....	366.00	460.00	310.00	280.00	70.00	200.00	125.00	9,630.00	150.00	25.00
Hogs .....	25.00	75.00	125.00	150.00	175.00	200.00	8,690.00	6,000.00	6,275.00	2,975.00
Fowls .....	14,675.00	9,630.00	10,567.00	11,890.00	8,530.00	11,180.00	6,000.00	250.00	9,000.00	8,500.00
Fur bearing animals .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Road Building Mach. ....	800.00	2,200.00	1,700.00	4,800.00	10,400.00	11,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portable mills and boats ..	34,850.00	68,802.00	44,967.00	11,835.00	27,500.00	67,248.00	18,200.00	20,987.00	32,375.00	31,725.00
Wood and lumber .....	4,290.00	3,800.00	3,840.00	4,980.00	4,660.00	5,560.00	6,550.00	5,500.00	6,100.00	5,950.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks ..	306,200.00	336,900.00	364,580.00	306,900.00	284,820.00	361,070.00	383,500.00	385,300.00	419,525.00	390,700.00
Stock in trade .....	171,500.00	187,780.00	291,900.00	195,450.00	122,050.00	137,850.00	128,850.00	131,850.00	130,800.00	130,150.00
Mills and machinery .....	50,000.00	65,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
Aqueducts .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Total Valuation .....</b>	<b>\$1,914,391.00</b>	<b>\$2,807,807.00</b>	<b>\$2,913,363.00</b>	<b>\$2,846,002.00</b>	<b>\$2,777,900.00</b>	<b>\$2,927,300.00</b>	<b>\$2,984,740.00</b>	<b>\$3,020,300.00</b>	<b>\$3,190,635.00</b>	<b>\$3,147,944.00</b>
<b>Tax Rate Per \$100.00 .....</b>	<b>\$4.20</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>	<b>\$4.03</b>	<b>\$5.10</b>	<b>\$5.06</b>	<b>\$4.70</b>	<b>\$5.50</b>	<b>\$5.50</b>	<b>\$5.50</b>	<b>\$5.50</b>
Property Taxes .....	\$80,404.42	\$112,312.28	\$113,322.35	139,543.75	134,391.07	131,600.00	154,026.36	158,565.00	167,537.93	164,521.17
National bank stock tax ..	293.00	259.00	239.00	259.00	263.00	261.00	261.00	261.00	261.00	265.00
Regular Polls at \$2.00 .....	1,988.00	2,102.00	1,988.00	1,990.00	2,000.00	1,938.00	1,970.00	1,960.00	1,918.00	1,918.00
Special Polls at \$3.00 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Total Taxes Assessed ..</b>	<b>\$82,651.42</b>	<b>\$114,673.28</b>	<b>\$115,569.35</b>	<b>\$141,792.75</b>	<b>\$136,653.07</b>	<b>\$133,799.00</b>	<b>\$156,257.36</b>	<b>\$160,786.00</b>	<b>\$169,776.93</b>	<b>\$2,991,294.00</b>

# REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

## Summary of Warrant

### Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

#### Levy of 1955

Dr.

#### Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$164,521.17
Poll Taxes	1,918.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	265.00

Total Warrant	\$166,704.17
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#### Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	698.50
Poll Taxes	48.00
Interest Collected	46.71

Total Debits	\$167,497.38
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#### Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$121,781.54
Poll Taxes	1,450.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	265.00
Interest Collected	46.71

Abatements	2,033.73
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#### Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	41,440.40
Poll Taxes	480.00

Total Credits	\$167,497.38
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## Summary of Warrant

### Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1954

#### Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$39,451.93
Poll Taxes	476.00
Yield Taxes	1,980.31
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	\$41,908.24

Added Taxes

Poll Taxes	24.00
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Interest Collected During the Fiscal Year

Ending December 31, 1955	1,425.33
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Total Debits	<hr/>	\$43,357.57
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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal  
Year Ending December 31, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$38,326.23
Poll Taxes	408.00
Interest Collected During Year	1,425.33
Yield Taxes	1,797.20

Abatements Made During Year 1,378.81

Uncollected Poll Taxes 22.00

Total Credits	<hr/>	\$43,357.57
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## Summary of Warrant

### Poll Taxes Levy of 1953

#### Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes	\$28.00
Interest Collected	.39

Total Debits	<hr/>	\$28.39
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Remittances to Treasurer During Year 1955:

Poll Taxes	\$2.00
Interest	.39
Abatements	26.00

Total Credits	<u>\$28.39</u>
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**Summary of Warrant****Poll Taxes****Levy of 1952****Dr.**

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes	\$8.00	
Interest Collected	.68	
Total Debits		\$8.68

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Remittance to Treasurer During Year 1955:

Poll Taxes	\$4.00
Interest	.68
Abatements	4.00

Total Credits	<u>\$8.68</u>
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**Summary of Warrant****State Head Tax****Levy of 1955****Dr.**

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$6,220.00
Added Taxes	75.00

Total Commitment	\$6,295.00
Penalties Collected	17.50

Total Debits	<u>\$6,312.50</u>
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## Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$4,570.00	
Penalties	17.50	
		\$4,587.50
Abatement		100.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List:		1,625.00
Total Credits		<u>\$6,312.50</u>

## Summary of Warrant

## State Head Tax

## Levy of 1954

## Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955	\$1,635.00	
Added Taxes During 1955	150.00	
Penalties Collected During 1955	154.00	
Total Debits		<u>\$1,939.00</u>

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## Remittances to Treasurer During 1955

Head Taxes	\$1,540.00	
Penalties	154.00	
Abatements During 1955	205.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List	40.00	
Total Credits		<u>\$1,939.00</u>

## Summary of Warrant

## State Head Tax

## Levy of 1953

## Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of Jan. 1, 1955	\$75.00	
Penalties	3.50	
Total Debits		<u>\$78.50</u>

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## Remittances to Treasurer During 1955:

Head Taxes	\$30.00	
Penalties	3.50	
Abatements During 1955	45.00	

## Summary of Tax Sale Accounts as of December 31, 1955

### Dr.

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:			
	1954	1953	1952	1951
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes Jan. 1, 1955	\$2,801.71	\$2,400.66	\$653.39	\$45.60
Interest Collected After Sale	1.50	37.34	47.38	8.53
Total Debits	\$2,803.21	\$2,438.00	\$700.77	\$54.13

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year	\$473.06	\$916.77	\$493.02	\$54.13
Abatements During Year			84.69	
Deeded to Town During Year	49.78	\$50.03	50.06	
Unredeemed Taxes at Close of Year	\$2,280.37	\$1,471.20	\$73.00	
Total Credits	\$2,803.21	\$2,438.00	\$700.77	\$54.13

Respectfully submitted

H. Thurlow Ames

Tax Collector

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

H. Thurlow Ames, Collector of Taxes:

1955 Property tax	\$121,781.54
1955 Bank Stock tax	265.00
1955 Poll tax	1,450.00
1955 Head tax	4,570.00
1955 Interest	46.71
1955 Head tax penalty	17.50
1954 Property tax	38,326.23
1954 Poll tax	408.00
1954 Head tax	1,540.00
1954 Yield tax	1,797.20
1954 Interest	1,425.95
1954 Head tax penalty	154.00
1954 Sewer tax	25.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	1,936.98
1953 Poll tax	2.00

1953 Interest	.39
1953 Head tax	30.00
1953 Head tax penalty	3.50
1952 Poll tax	4.00
1952 Interest	.68
State of New Hampshire:	
Hurricane damage	1,910.70
Interest and dividend tax	3,461.29
Savings Bank tax	698.33
Railroad tax	26.75
Road toll	84.10
Forest fires	272.73
Forestry and Recreation Dep't., forest fire	6.50
Refund, T R A	3,973.92
Refund	2.36
Old Age Recovery	36.41
Bounty on Hedgehogs	26.50
Re-imbursement head tax expenses	12.26
Frank S. Hillsgrove, Town Clerk:	
1954 Auto permits	140.53
1954 Dog licenses	22.10
1955 Auto permits	9,468.20
1955 Dog licenses	471.40
Carpenter Library, Social Security	33.60
Municipal Court:	
Edmond J. Stapleton, Justice	158.38
Kenard F. Ayles, Special Justice	6.00
Bowling license	20.00
Pistol permits	17.00
History sales	90.50
J. Frank Drake, Band concerts, in memory of Nathaniel S. and Mary A. Drake	501.82
Harriman and Paige, refund	13.57
John P. Yeaton, use of shovel	25.00
Joseph C. Rogers,, junk license	10.00
Frank W. Smith, junk license	2.00
George E. Freese Estate, tree work	20.00
Fred W. Reed, water wet	36.75
Fred W. Reed Warden, Gilmanton fire	30.50
Town of Gilmanton, forest fire	84.15
John H. Perkins Jr., Memorial Day refund	38.20
Peterson - Cram Post, Beano permit	10.00
Colin D. Campbell, sale of land	50.00
Frank W. True Estate, pipe	24.00

John A. Maxfield, use of Huber	18.75
John A. Maxfield, 2 tons hot top	12.00
Veronica Garabedian, use of grader	139.50
Veronica Garabedian, use of grader	448.50
Veronica Garabedian, use of grader	406.00
Pittsfield School District, tree work	38.50
Ralph Van Horn, tree work	6.00
Pittsfield Aqueduct Co., use Huber	28.37
Ralston Tree Service	32.00
Ralston Tree Service	38.00
Ralston Tree Service	20.00
Town of Barnstead, use of dump	50.00
U. S. Naval Base, Combined Charities	2.50
Alice Maxfield, refund	12.30
James Colby, in lieu of bond	250.00

Trust Funds:

Pittsfield National Bank, tax anticipation note	60,000.00
Pittsfield Savings Bank, Serial note, Depot St.	3,000.00

\*Errata: See Page 97

Total receipts	\$265,007.65
Cash on hand January 1, 1955	23,536.45
Total	<u>\$288,544.10</u>
Less Selectmen's orders paid	<u>280,154.02</u>
Cash on hand	\$8,390.08

VICTOR E. TRACE, Treasurer

## Department Reports SELECTMEN'S REPORT FOR 1955

### Summary of Receipts

#### Current Revenue:

##### From Local Taxes: (Collected & remitted to Treasurer)

1. Property Taxes, current year - 1955	\$121,781.54
2. Poll Taxes, current year - reg. @ \$2 — 1955	1,450.00
3. National Bank Stock Taxes, 1955	265.00
4. Yield Taxes, 1955	
5. State Head Taxes @ \$5 1955	4,570.00
6. Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	128,066.54
7. Property Taxes and Yield Taxes - Previous Years	40,148.43
8. Poll Taxes Previous Years, Reg. @ \$2	414.00
9. State Head Taxes @ \$5 - Previous Years	1,570.00
10. Interest received on Taxes	1,473.73
11. Penalties on State Head Taxes	175.00
12. Tax Sales Redeemed	1,936.98

##### From State:

13. For Highways and Bridges: (Town Road Aid)	3,884.62
14. Interest and Dividends Tax	3,461.29
15. Railroad Tax	26.75
16. Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	698.33
17. Fighting forest fires	279.23
18. Bounties	26.50
19. Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	36.41

##### From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

20. Dog licenses	493.50
21. Business licenses, permits and filing fees	59.00
22. Fines and forfeits, municipal court	164.38
23. Income from Town History	90.50
24. Income from departments	1,343.08
25. Income from Forest Fires	151.40
26. Registration of motor vehicles, 1954 Permits	140.53
27. Registration of motor vehicles, 1955 Permits	9,468.20

## Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

28. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	60,000.00
29. Long term notes during year	3,000.00
30. Insurance adjustments	13.57
31. Refunds	398.86
32. Gifts	501.82
33. New Trust Funds received during year	4,935.00
34. Sale of Town Property	50.00
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	<hr/> 265,007.65
Cash on hand, January 1, 1955	23,536.45
GRAND TOTAL	<hr/> 288,544.10



## Summary of Payments

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries	5,796.65
2. Town officers' expenses	1,400.62
3. Election and registration expenses	398.70
4. Municipal court expenses	211.00
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	709.71

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department	2,657.48
7. Forest Fire	994.03
8. Fire Department	6,432.81
9. Moth extermination — Blister Rust and Care of Trees	1,640.43
10. Bounties	8.00
11. Insurance	2,255.10
12. Civil Defense	40.00

#### Health:

13. Concord Hospital	200.00
14. Health department	203.00
15. Vital statistics	58.50
16. Sewer maintenance	1,338.53
17. Town dump	997.71

#### Highways and Bridges:

18. Tar for Streets	7,444.30
19. Town Road Aid	9,000.00
20. Town Maintenance (Summer \$10,963.39), (Winter \$7,420.55) -	18,383.94
21. Street lighting	3,955.08
22. Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.	3,935.68

#### Libraries:

23. Libraries	3,000.00
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#### Public Welfare:

24. Old age assistance	3,849.10
25. Town poor	2,509.40

#### Patriotic Purposes:

26. Memorial Day and Veteran's Associations	200.00
27. Aid to soldiers and their families	570.64

#### Recreation:

28. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	622.00
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#### Public Service Enterprises:

29. Municipal water	2,500.00
30. Cemeteries	75.00

## Unclassified:

31. Taxes bought by town	2,801.71
32. Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	849.16
33. Town History	50
34. Employees' Retirement and Social Security	1,061.58
Interest:	
35. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	560.00
36. Paid on long term notes	45.00
37. Paid on bonded debt	990.00
Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Permanent Improvements:	
38. Silewalk construction	54.99
Indebtedness:	
39. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	60,000.00
40. Payments on bonded debt	4,000.00
41. Payments to trustees of trust funds (New Funds)	4,285.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
42. State Head Taxes paid State Treas. (1955 Taxes \$3,803.50) (Prior Yrs. \$1,832.50)	5,636.00
43. Taxes paid to County	9,547.73
44. Payments to School Districts (1954, 1955 Taxes	109,145.04
Total Payments for all Purposes	<hr/> \$280,364.12
Cash on hand December 31, 1955	\$8,390.98
Checks Outstanding Voucher III, 130	210.10
GRAND TOTAL	<hr/> \$288,544.10

**Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:**

Selectman, Roland G. Hartwell	\$147.00
Selectman, Gilbert S. Paige	735.00
Selectman, E. B. Hodgins	686.00
Selectman, Adolph Daroska	441.00
Town Clerk, Frank Hillsgrove	938.19
Treasurer, Victor E. Trace	490.00
Tax Collector, H. Thurlow Ames	1,791.00
Philip W. Sherburne, Caretaker and Auditor	58.80
Trustee, Mark A. Davis	122.50
Overseer, Leonard S. Riel	245.00
Health Officer, Russell Weldon	73.50
Auditor, Wayne B. Emerson	9.80
Auditor, Edmund J. Stapleton	9.80
Total	<hr/> \$5,747.65

**Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:**

Association of N. H. Assessors, 1955 Dues	3.00
Avery Insurance Agency, Town officers' bonds	280.02
Edison C. Eastman, Town officers' supplies	52.30
Katherine Crowley, Registrar, list of conveyances, Registering deeds	45.26
George Philbrick, Register of Probate, list of estates	1.20
C. E. Bourassa, Register of Probate, Estate notice	.10
Pittsfield Printing Co., Property, Head and Poll Tax Bills	33.20
College Bindery, Binding 2 volumes of Marriages and birth records	24.00
Harpswell Lunch Room, Lunches for Assessors	12.90
Pittsfield National Bank, Safe Deposit Box Rental	12.50
Linden Sheehan, Postmaster, stamps	14.00
Brown and Saltmarsh, staples	1.30
Leonard Greer, trips to Springfield, Mass.	10.00
Valley Times, Inc., printing town reports and notices	551.65
Gilbert S. Paige, Expenses tax meeting	3.00
V. E. Trace, supplies	17.71
H. Thurlow Ames, stamps and receipt books	32.26
Borroughs Corp., Adding machine	107.10
A. E. Martel Co., case blanks for Overseer	4.73
N. H. Town Clerks' Asss., 1955 dues	2.00
Wheeler and Clark, Dog licenses and supplies	28.97
U. S. Auto and Truck Guide, Subscription for Town Clerk	8.00
New England Tel. and Tel. Co., Telephone	125.05
Adolph Daroska, Assessors expenses	18.75
Frank Hillsgrove, supplies	15.50
N. H. Tax Collectors Ass'n., dues	3.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,406.60

**Detail 3. Election and Registration:**

Griffin and Dustin, cloth for Voting Booths	10.50
John Maxfield, assembling and disassembling booths	51.45
Valley Times Inc., ballots, advertising notices	76.25
Harpswell Lunch Town Meeting dinners	35.00
Democratic Town Committee, Wm. Boyd, Ballot Clerk	5.00
Philip Sherburne, Ballot Clerk	4.90
Gilbert Paige, Ballot Clerk	4.90
L. P. Estabrook, Ballot Clerk	4.90
Adelard Pelissier, Moderator	24.50
Clarence Nelson, Jr., police at town meeting	4.90
Helen C. Avery, supervisor of check list	58.80
Russell Weldon, supervisor of check list	58.50
Lizzie Avery, supervisor of check list	58.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$398.70</b>

**Detail 4. Municipal Court:**

Edmond J. Stapleton, Justice	196.00
Kenard F. Ayles, Associate Justict	15.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$211.00</b>

**Detail 5. Town Hall and Other Buildings:**

Hillsgrove Oil Co., Fuel, Selectmen's room	159.54
James F. McGrath, care of lights on Town Clock	9.00
Edgar Riel, repairing fire escape door	4.50
Arthur Contois, repairing plumbing in jail	3.85
Prosper Fontaine, cleaning oil burner	10.00
Pittsfield Congregational Church, Town Clock lights	84.00
John A. Maxfield, fill at town factory	364.92
Public Service Co. of N. H., lights, town hall	38.87
Walter E. Hall, wiring lights to fire escape	29.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$703.73</b>

**Detail 6. Police:**

Charles Elkins, Chief, salary and expenses	1,017.40
Walter D. Smith, salary, telephone & expenses	1,178.26
New England Tel. and Tel. Co., special telephone	45.80
Volpe's Store, revolver, shells, flashlight	82.05
Green's Drug Store, First Aid Kit	2.25
Langdon Kenney, 2 portable lights	13.25
Leonard Greer, expenses, trip to Springfield	20.00
Walter E. Hall, repairs to Police alarm	44.23
H. P. Maxfield, Inc., supplies	.90
Edward Genest, Siren	12.00
Gilman Repair Service, mounting siren	2.55
Russell Uniform Co., badges and supplies	59.53

Public Service Co., repairs to Police Alarm	7.10
Clarence Nelson, Jr., special police	73.74
Albert Rogers, special police	61.74
George Rogers, special police	21.00
Richard Moore, special police	10.78
Edward Garland, Jailer	4.90
Total	<hr/> \$2,657.48

#### Detail 7. Fire Department:

Reed's Oil Service, fuel for Fire House	1,096.63
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	294.33
Public Ser. Co. of N. H., light and power	236.28
Gamewell Company, parts and supplies	27.43
Ralph Smith Corp., supplies	3.70
City of Laconia, fresh air recharge	2.50
Laconia Welding Service, CO2 recharge	4.00
Green's Drug Store, distilled water	.60
Arthur Contois, pipe and couplings	7.97
American Fire Equip. Co., supplies	18.36
Catamount Lumber Co. supplies	11.55
Gulf Oil Corp., gas and oil	20.37
Public Service Co. of N. H., rewiring	
Depot St. system	242.91
Walter E. Hall, work & material, Fire Alarm system	659.54
Huckins' Garage, gas, material, labor	56.62
First National Store, broom	1.29
Eastern Tank & Equip. Co., tank change-over	125.00
H. P. Maxfield, Inc., supplies	8.80
Kenney's Amoco Garage, wrecker service	7.25
Treas., State of N. H., radio and antenna	231.90
William B. Ely, salary	147.00
George Rogers, Clerk, salary, 16 men	1,396.50
Charles B. Adams, Clerk salary 16 men	1,470.00
Clarence Robie, Clerk, salary, Firewards	367.50
Radio Service Laboratory, installing radio antenna	40.78
Archie Rogers, resetting alarm box	3.00
Total	<hr/> \$6,481.81

#### Detail 8. Blister Rust and Care of Trees:

Barber Tree Service, three sprays	650.00
Ralston Tree Service, trimming and cutting trees	229.25
Richard C. Foss, cutting trees	93.48
Frank T. Garland, payrolls	667.70
Total	<hr/> \$1,640.43



**Detail 9. Bounties:**

Paid by Selectmen	\$8.00
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**Detail 10. Care of Dump:**

John Maxfield, payrolls	888.08
N. H. Explosive & Machinery Co., dynamite	109.63
Total	<u>\$997.71</u>

**Detail 11. Health Department:**

Concord Hospital	200.00
Pittsfield District Nursing Association	200.00
Russell Weldon, express on water samples	3.00
Total	<u>\$403.00</u>

**Detail 12. Vital Statistics:**

Frank Hillsgrove, Town Clerk	58.50
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**Detail 13. Sewer Maintenance:**

John Maxfield, payrolls	980.55
H. P. Maxfield, pipe	287.11
Concord Lumber Co., pipe fittings	3.66
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, cement, and cement blocks	67.21
Total	<u>\$1,338.53</u>

**Detail 14. Town Maintenance (Summer):**

Director of Internal Revenue	\$32.60
Treas. State of N. H., Calcium Chloride	76.00
Sumner Mack, release	1.00
Ernest and Rose Grenier, release for culvert	1.00
John Maxfield, payrolls	9,030.79
Treas. State of N. H., use of grader by Garabedian	994.00
Total	<u>\$11,035.39</u>

**Detail 15. Town Maintenance (Winter):**

Treas. State of N. H., salt, use of grader	278.84
R. C. Hazelton Co., plow blade	28.25
Faltins Trans. Co., express on plow blade	1.84
Farm Implements, Inc., labor on tractor, snow removal	138.45
John Maxfield, payrolls	6,983.17
Total	<u>\$7,420.55</u>



**Detail 16. Civil Defense:**

Carl Knirsch, 1/3 cost of public address system	40.00
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**Detail 17. Social Security:**

Treas. State of N. H.	1,061.58
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**Detail 18. Street Lighting:**

Public Service Co. of N. H.	3,955.08
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**Detail 19. General Expenses of Highway Department:**

Town of Loudon, concrete aggregate	10.30
Henry Clark, boiler, plate and sharpening bars	22.37
Farm Implements, Inc., repairs	350.91
Caselline Venable Corp., parts	778.75
Pelissier's Garage, repairs and supplies	154.63
Gulf Oil Corp., gas and oil	595.15
H. P. Maxfield, Inc., supplies	104.90
Prison Industries, culvert	78.60
Treas. State of N. H., culvert	1,078.00
Hillsgrove Oil Co., motor oil	129.49
Kibbey Equipment Co., parts	166.43
Pittsfield Box and Lumber Co., lumber	3.08
Edward A. Genest, drilling post holes	35.75
Sargent Sowell Co., traffic signs	177.42
George Huckins, bridge plank	177.90
Total	\$3,863.68

**Detail 20. Carpenter Library:**

Trustees Appropriation	\$3,000.00
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**Detail 21. Old Age Assistance:**

Leonard S. Riel, Overseer	\$3,849.10
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**Detail 22. Town Poor:**

Leonard S. Riel, Overseer	\$2,509.40
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**Detail 23. Soldiers' Aid:**

Leonard S. Riel, Overseer	\$570.64
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**Detail 24. Memorial Day:**

John H. Perkins, Marshall	\$200.00
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**Detail 25. Parks and Playgrounds:**

George E. Freese, Jr., Band Concerts	500.00
Henry Clark, sharpening lawn mowers	5.00
John Maxfield, Payrolls	117.00
Total	\$622.00

**Detail 26. Water for Town:**

Pittsfield Aqueduct Co.	\$2,500.00
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**Detail 27. Cemeteries:**

Catamount Grange, Care of Town Hall Cemetery	\$75.00
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**Detail 28. Insurance**

Avery Insurance Agency	211.80
Harriman and Paige Agency	2,018.30
John Hyde, Insurance appraisal	25.00
Total	<hr/> \$2,255.10

**Detail 29. Refunds:**

H. Thurlow Ames, Tax deposit of James Colby	250.00
Thomas Hillsgrove, Truck registration	16.16
Adams Brothers, Inc., Abatement on tax	550.00
Edith Chase, Abatement on tax	33.00
Total	<hr/> \$849.16

**Detail 30. T. R. A.**

Treas., State of N. H., Depot st. State aid construction	\$9,000.00
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**Detail 31. Forest Fires**

Pelissier's Garage	132.48
Fred Reed, Warden, Forest fires and repairs	555.51
Fred Reed, Warden, Training School	42.20
Gulf Oil Corp., Gas and oil	9.83
American Fire Equipment Co. — Rockwood Wet	51.00
Ruth C. Hoover, Garage Rental	96.00
Town of Chichester, Fire at Ray Watson's	22.80
Town of Epsom, Fire at Ray Watson's	21.52
Town of Northwood, Fire at Ray Watson's	33.00
Town of Loudon, Fire at Ray Watson's and Berry Pond	24.69
Total	<hr/> \$994.63

**Detail 32. Sidewalk Construction**

Granite State Asphalt Products Co., Asphalt	29.99
John Maxfield, Payroll	25.00
Total	<hr/> \$54.99

**Detail 33. Tar for Streets**

Treas., State of N. H., Asphalt and tar	584.18
Mystic Bituminous Products Co., Asphalt	4,444.90
John Maxfield, Payrolls	2,415.22
Total	<u>\$7,444.30</u>

**Detail 34. Town Histories**

V. E. Trace, Mailing one History	.50
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**Detail 35. Interest**

Pittsfield National Bank, Bonds	990.00
Pittsfield National Bank, Tax anticipation note	560.00
Pittsfield Savings Bank, Short term note	45.00
Total	<u>\$1,595.00</u>

**Detail 36. Bonds**

Pittsfield National Bank, agent, Town Road bonds	\$4,000.00
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**Detail 37. State and County**

Treasurer, Merrimack County	9,547.73
Treas., State of N. H., 1954 Head taxes	1,832.50
Treas., State of N. H., 1955 Head taxes	3,803.50
Total	<u>\$15,183.73</u>

**Detail 38 School District**

1954-1955 Appropriation	44,145.04
1955-1956 Appropriation	65,000.00
Total	<u>\$109,145.04</u>

**Detail 39. Paid to Trustees of Trust Funds**

Hazel W. Hurd, c/o ½ lot 13, Ave. 1, Floral Park	150.00
Leonard & Anna I. Amadon, c/o ½ lot, Floral Park	150.00
Katherine L. Leeds, c/o William A. Sheehan lot, Floral Park	200.00
Evelyn Erickson, c/o Frank Abbott lot, Floral Park	200.00
Lida J. Smith, c/o Benjamin F. Smith lot Floral Park	300.00
Alfred B. Marsh, c/o Samuel Marsh lot, Floral Park	200.00
Gladys M. Wilson, c/o Grace Gordon lot, Floral Park	85.00
Ena Farwell, c/o Wallace & Ena Farwell lot Floral Park	200.00
W. D. & William Small, c/o Walcott-Small lot Floral Park	100.00

Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o John & Frank A. Walker lot Floral Park	700.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o John A. Walker lot, Floral Park	500.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o Ashael Easton lot, Floral Park	300.00
Scott A. Cutler, c/o Frank M. Cutler lot, Floral Park	250.00
Herbert Ames, c/o East ½ lot 8, Ave. J, Row 2 Floral Park	150.00
Helen Jacques, c/o Edward Mack and Phil D. Parsons lot, Floral Park	300.00
Frank W. True Est., c/o Frank W. True lot, Floral Park	100.00
Lizzie B. Avery, additional to William Gould lot, Floral Park	50.00
Lizzie B. Avery, additional to Burt and Lizzie Avery lot, Floral Park	50.00
Alice G. Drew, c/o Elbridge G. Drew lot, Floral Park	300.00
Cora I. Fellows, Elvira Smith lot, 6 S.E. side Ave. E Floral Park	200.00
Roland G. Hartwell, Exec., c/o Lewis R. Buswell lot, Floral Park	300.00
Clifton Richardson, c/o Fred and Mary Richardson lot Floral Park	150.00
Total	<hr/> \$4,935.00

NOTE: These Trust Funds will appear in the Town Warrant but some were received too late to appear in the Financial Report.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1955

### Receipts:

1954 Auto Permits	\$ 140.53
1955 Auto Permits	9,468.20
1954 Dog Licenses	22.10
1955 Dog Licenses	471.40
Total Receipts	<u>\$10,102.23</u>

### Vital Statistics:

Births	50
Marriages	30
Deaths	36

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK S. HILLSGROVE  
Town Clerk

## OVERSEER OF THE POOR

The report of the Overseer of the Poor for the year ending December 31, 1955:

Cash on hand January 1, 1955	\$50.00
Cash from Selectmen	6,929.14
Total	\$6,979.14
Paid for account of:	
Town Poor	\$2,509.40
Old Age Assistance	
Aid to Disabled	3,849.10
Aid to Aliens	
County Poor	
Soldiers Aid	570.64
Total	<u>\$6,929.14</u>
Cash on hand January 1, 1956	\$50.00

Respectfully Submitted,

LEONARD S. RIEL  
Overseer of the Poor



# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PITTSFIELD, N. H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

<i>Name</i>	<i>Amount of</i>	<i>Income</i>
	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Bal. of On Hand</i>
Adams, Hannah, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.07
Avery, Julia M., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	8.25
Adams, Dudley, care of cemetery lot .....	75.00	2.47
Aiken, Edward J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.04
Adams, Gertrude L., care of cemetery lot .....	400.00	13.00
Aiken, Harold, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Adams, Frederick, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	11.25
Avery, Burt & Lizzie B., care of cemetery lot ....	250.00	7.50
Avery, Ida L., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	10.75
Adams, William P., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.54
Amidon, Leonard, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	1.13
Ashton, Charles, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	.53
Abbott, Frank E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	
Ames, Herbert, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	
Blanchard, Stephen, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.66
Babb, Albert S., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.46
Berry, Abbie A., care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	110.70
Berry, Anna F., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.90
Batchelder, Belle H., care of cemetery lot ....	125.00	3.20
Batchelder, Belle H., Flower Fund .....	100.00	8.03
Buffum, Mary B., care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	40.02
Buffum, Clara, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.07
Brown, Lowell, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.57
Brown, Eunice, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.51
Brown, Ella J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.57
Batchelder lot, (Watson Cem.) lot care .....	100.00	6.32
Berry, Grace D., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Brown, Ruth, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.55
Berry, Edson, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	9.84
Blaisdell, Cinda E., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.66
Butters, Charles H., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.59
Babb, Charles W., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.06
Batchelder, Nathaniel M., lot care .....	200.00	6.30
Bunker, Lura G., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	14.96
Blake, Simeon, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Bell, James, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Boutelle, Adelbert, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.48
Barker, Scotto, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	16.75
Burbank & Pickering, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Bennett, John & Mary, care of cemetery lot ....	100.00	1.00



Brown, Nellie G., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.44
Brown, Arthur & Mary, care of cemetery lot ...	100.00	1.50
Batchelder, Charles H., care of cemetery lot ....	100.00	1.25
Butler, Mary J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.03
Batchelder-Watson, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	2.95
Brock, Henry & Mary , lot care .....	150.00	2.25
Cashman, Alvira H., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.38
Cram, Melvin J., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.03
Cole, Frank S., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.30
Carr, B. W., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	91.25
Cummings Sproul Morrisson, lot care .....	150.00	4.12
Carr, I. N., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.21
Carr, Malvenah, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.09
Cheeney, Julius, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.74
Clough & Seldon, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.06
Cox, Guy W., care of cemetery lot .....	1000.00	53.20
Clark, Henry G., care of cemetery lot ...	100.00	3.23
Clark, William B., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.24
Chandler, Georgia Shaw, care of cemetery lot...	150.00	4.89
Cilley, Chas. & Edith, care of cem. lot .....	100.00	1.00
Clark, Lewis W., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Crediford & Page, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.50
Cook & Rollins, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.50
Chase, Frank, care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	11.78
Cutler, Frank, care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	
Durgin, Helen, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	3.40
Durgin, Susan O., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.02
Drake, T. Thayer, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.04
Drake, George R., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.56
Drake, Henry E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.07
Dow, E. P., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.78
Davis, Julia, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.40
Davis, Wilhelmina, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.27
Doloff, Lewis B. C., lot care .....	200.00	4.62
Doe, Charles A., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.31
Drake, James Frank, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	10.11
Domingue, Lettie, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.19
Dayton, L. E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.00
Davis, Orman M., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.38
De Lacey, Chas. W., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	5.34
Dow, John W., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Dennett - Dormick, care of cemetery lot .....	400.00	17.00
Dennison Watson care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	5.99
Davis, Hattie L., care of cemetery lot .....	160.00	4.59
Dustin, Herbert W., care of cemetery lot .....	400.00	4.05
Drew, Elbridge G., care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	
Emerson, Laura A., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50

Eaton, John M., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.28
Eaton lot (old Cem.) care of cemetery lot ....	25.00	5.15
Elliott, Lucinda, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.94
Eastman, James E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	15.01
Eastman, Francena (Parker lot), lot care .....	100.00	2.83
Emerson, Clint & Harriet, lot care .....	100.00	2.25
Emerson, George D., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Eaton, Ashael, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	
French, Mary J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.30
French, Abraham, care of cemetery lot .....	25.00	.24
French & Green, (old Cem., lot care .....	500.00	136.10
French, William G., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.84
Foss, J. C., care of cemetery lot ... ..	75.00	2.33
Ferrin, Clarence, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.63
Freese, C. F. H., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	11.03
French, Charles S., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.35
Foss, Flora J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.28
Foss, Horace M., care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	28.75
Foote, Lizzie, (Flower Fund) .....	100.00	23.00
Foss, Milton G., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	5.55
Foster, D. K., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	7.00
Fischer, Herbert, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.00
French, Chas. F. & John H., care of cem. lot ....	250.00	13.46
Fowle, Henry, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	1.36
Foley, Margaret (Mt. Calvary) lot care .....	100.00	3.02
Farwell, Wallace & Ena, care of cem. lot .....	200.00	
Green, G. Frank, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.24
Green, Lizzie, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Green, Lizzie M., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.87
Green, Myra S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.07
Green, Sadie F., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.05
Green, Nellie M., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.09
Green, A. T., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.78
Giles, Herbert, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.78
Greenleaf, Serena, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.80
Gould, William W., care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	5.53
Greeley, Frank N. (soldier) care of cem. lot ....	200.00	1.31
Green, C. M., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	7.43
Green, J. Fred, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	29.88
Gilman, John M., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	9.72
Green, C. H. O., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.72
Gehrig, Clover D., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.00
Green, Daniel S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Garland, Frank T., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Griffin, Geo. W., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Green & Roberts, care of cemetery lot .....	225.00	11.74
Gould, Alfonso, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.50

Gordon, Grace, care of cemetery lot .....	85.00	
Hildreth, Lavonia, care of cemetery lot .....	800.00	100.87
Hill, Enoch W., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.35
Hobbs & Durrell, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	3.84
Hill, Nellie, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.33
Hatch, Chester D., care of cemetery .....	300.00	13.32
Hart & Davis, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.53
Harriman, Isaac, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.76
Hall, Mary Alice, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.50
Hutchins, Frank D., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Hilliard & Robinson, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Hartwell, Kate, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Hartwell, Roland G., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Hoyt, H. P., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.53
Hill, Haven, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.24
Hurd, Arthur E., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	1.88
Jenkins, M. A., care of cemetery .....	200.00	5.62
Jenkins, Carrie S., care of cemetery lot .....	75.00	1.31
Jenkins & Powers, care of cemetery lot, .....	200.00	8.52
Jenness, Samuel S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	2.50
Jenkins, Calvin, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Jones, Thomas B., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	7.93
Joy, Henry P., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.27
Joy, Calvin, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Joy, Edwin C., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.41
Joy, Mrs. Fred, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.42
Johnson, Michael (Mt. Calvary) lot care .....	100.00	12.42
Joy, Abbie, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.48
Jacobs, Joseph, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	.50
Knowlton, Lucy A., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	3.92
Knowles & Furber, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.38
Kennedy, Lois W., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.07
Kelley, Mrs. C. P., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	7.35
Kaime, Winifred, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	3.05
Kearns, Addie M., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Lane, John Y., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.54
Lane, R. C., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.00
Lane, F. T. & A. K., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.32
Ladd, John & William, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.30
Lane, Ella F., care of cemetery .....	200.00	4.96
Lane, Annie B., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.66
Leavitt, Willis E., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.31
Leavitt, Reuben T., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Lane, Charles H., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	2.57
Lane, J. & J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.54
Lund, Adelaide, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.94
Lougee, Sarah Ellen, care of cem. lot .....	200.00	4.98



Lowrey, John W., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.25
Sheehan, William H., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	1.50
Morrill, Francis, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.39
Mack, William A., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.69
Mack, Rosa, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.14
Maxfield, Harrie P., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
May, Maria H., care of cemetery lot .....	240.00	7.64
Morrill J. Colby, care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	1.41
Morrill, Josephine, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	12.24
Morse, Hannah J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.53
Murphy, Ida W., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.54
McIntosh, Alex, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.16
McCrillis, James, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.29
Merrill, Mrs. E. O. & French, lot care .....	100.00	2.50
Maxfield, Truman J., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.14
Morse, F. E. & S. B., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.75
Marston, Joseph S., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.74
Munsey, Chas. & Mary, care of cemetery lot ....	100.00	.75
Mitchell & Green, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Mitchell & Bunker, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.50
Morrill, Fred S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Maxfield, Austin, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Marston, Luman, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	9.50
Morrill, Fred S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	8.22
Morrill, James & Sarah, care of cemetery lot ....	200.00	50.50
Merrill, Clarence, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.05
Marsh, Samuel, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	
Noyes, Flora M. T., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.84
Niles, Addie M., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.37
Newall, Mary, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.06
Nutter, M. H., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	6.50
Norton, Clinton A., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	1.50
Niles, Addie M., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.37
Osborne, John R., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.53
Ostrander, Beulah M., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	7.37
Osgood, Frank & Martha, care of cem. lot .....	100.00	2.71
Osgood, Charles H., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	.75
Osgood & Barton, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	7.09
Potter, Mrs. Julia, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.47
Parks, Joseph S., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	335.52
Perkins, Stephen, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	3.91
Perkins, Lucy J., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	3.92
Pearce, Hannah J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.51
Peaslee, Francis, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.00
Page, Flora M., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.66
Page, Sarah A., care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	3.91
Prescott, E. D. C., care of cemetery lot .....	80.00	2.71
Parker, Ellen A., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	3.43

Perham, Clara A., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.02
Powell & Sanborn, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.52
Potter, Joseph B., care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	6.00
Pendergast & Page, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	.75
Peaslee, Austin, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Peterson, Andrew, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	1.50
Parsons & Mack, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	
Quimby, Rev. Moses, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.04
Quimby, Alida, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.24
Richardson, Mary F., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	6.81
Rand, Georgiana, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.34
Rand, John S., care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	19.46
Randall, Frank T., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	3.61
Rogers, Charles C., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.28
Rollins, Sophia, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.33
Ring, Edgar F., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Ring, Ana & Ellery, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	.75
Richardson, John, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	3.00
Rodin, Joseph & Ella, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	2.25
Sanborn, John, care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	143.99
Sanborn, Mary E., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.83
Sanborn, Olive S., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	19.03
Sargent, Benjamin, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	6.50
Smith, Adelaide, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.33
Sargent & French, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Sanderson, E. P., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	49.71
Sackett, Carrie, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.96
Sanborn, Clarissa L., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	7.67
Sanders, Augusta, care of cemetery lot .....	250.00	5.75
Sanborn, Fred O., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	.75
Sanborn, Charles, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.48
Stewart, James E. (Catholic) lot care .....	100.00	.15
Scott, Catherine, care of cemetery lot .....	300.00	78.75
Sargent, Frank H., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Steele, Charles, care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	13.06
Shaw, Harry T., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50
Sanderson, Edward O., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.50
Sargent - Marston, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	6.28
Smith, Benjamin, care of cemetery- lot .....	300.00	
Tibbets, Abbie A., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.84
True, Hannah, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	2.50
Tuck, Mary, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.34
Tuttle, John W., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.68
Tuttle, Hiram A., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	128.88
Tilton, Mary E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.66
Tilton, N. C., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.35
Tilton, B. M., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.10
Towle, Lewis L., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	4.82

Trickey, George H., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	9.20
Tasker, Sarah E., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.65
Thompson, James H., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	.75
Tilton Hill Burying Ground, lot care .....	500.00	21.63
Sanborn & Young lots, care of cem. lot .....	500.00	7.50
Varney, Mary P., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	1.50
Waldo, Sarah, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	30.24
White & Merrill, care of cemetery lot .....	1000.00	309.87
Whitcomb, Abbie L., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.35
Wadleigh, Caroline E., care of cemetery lot ....	100.00	2.31
Watson, Emma, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	1.06
Willey, Mary, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.52
Wyman, William, care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	73.70
Warren, Winifred, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.29
Walker, Orissa, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.30
Waite, Laura W., care of cemetery lot .....	150.00	4.08
Watson, Mary Jane, care of cem. lot .....	340.00	9.42
Watson, Freeman, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.31
Willey, John C., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.53
Willard, Ezra C., care of cemetery lot .....	50.00	.93
Welch, Edgar T., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.35
Willard, John B., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.80
Watson & Knowles, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	5.00
Wheeler, Loren, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	3.00
Walcott - Small, care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	
Walker, John A., & Frank R., lot care .....	700.00	
Walker, John A., care of cemetery lot .....	500.00	
Yeaton, William, care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	4.92
Young, Alpheus H., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.32
Young, Frank W., care of cemetery lot .....	200.00	3.67
Young, Ellen G., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.30
Young, Andrew J., care of cemetery lot .....	100.00	2.50

### Special Funds

Mary J. Butler, Library Fund .....	1000.00	25.00
Georgia Carpenter, Library Fund .....	20000.00	602.29
Lizzie Foote, Library Fund .....	3106.00	77.68
Ella F. Lane, School Dist. ....	25000.00	693.62
Frances Emerson, High School Fund .....	200.00	5.00
William E. Berry, School supplies .....	500.00	12.50
James Joy, High School Fund .....	2437.50	61.26
Moody Kent, High School awards .....	500.00	201.12
Thomas D. Merrill, Inc. for High School .....	1147.40	39.33
Frances French, Inc. for High School .....	1462.84	50.13
Unrestricted Fund, Pittsfield Academy .....	3095.04	167.14
Frank P. Green, Band Stand .....	100.00	17.92
Capt. Asa Bartlett, Memorial Fund .....	1000.00	43.00

Special Funds Total .....	\$59548.78	\$1995.99
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Cemetery Funds Total .....	\$54370.00	\$3034.11
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Grand Total .....	\$113918.78	\$5030.10
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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR 1955

The library trustees wish to report that we have been able this year to meet the current expenses, finish off the room directly behind the Memorial Room — wallboarding, painting and the laying of a new rubber mat on the floor — as well as resurfacing the walk leading to the library from the street, along with the waxing and refinishing the woodwork of the Memorial Room.

We have made every effort this year to purchase books to be used in all departments of our schools.

Our children's books are of a new and finer selection.

We wish to thank all who have given books to the library.

We are endeavoring this next year to construct a walkway leading from the front steps of the library to the back entrance of the building on the Dustin side — also to purchase a rebuilt typewriter for the use of the library staff.

In closing we wish to say that we hope the Memorial Room will be used more in the coming year by the civic and community groups.

Our book circulation for the past year has been as follows:

Adult — 9,430

Juvenile — 4,240

New books added — 424

New registrations — 304

Respectfully submitted,

FRED REED, Chairman

CLARICE CONSTANT, Secretary

SYBIL PEASE, Treasurer

## FINANCIAL REPORT CARPENTER LIBRARY TRUSTEES

### Receipts

#### General Fund Account

Carried forward January 1, 1955	\$704.56
Received gift from Pittsfield Women of Rotary	15.00
Received from Selectmen	3,000.00
Received from sale of books	125.00
From Fines	142.17
Total Receipts	<u>\$3,986.73</u>

### Expenditures

Salaries: Librarian and Janitor	\$1,646.40
Fuel	475.31
Lights	86.68
Postage and supplies	65.42
Repairs and Improvements	479.71
Social Security to town	33.60
New Hampshire Library Assoc.	5.00
Insurance	73.20
Books and magazines	202.91
Total Expenditures	<u>\$3,068.23</u>

Balance carried forward January 1, 1956 \$918.50

The townspeople should bear in mind that this balance shown in the General Fund must serve until March 15, 1956.

### Carpenter Trust Fund Account

#### Receipts

Carried forward January 1, 1955	13.70
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds	525.37
Total Receipts	<u>\$539.07</u>

#### Expenditures

Books	464.78
Magazines	2.89
Supplies	26.10
Total Expenditures	<u>\$493.77</u>
Carried forward January 1, 1956	\$45.30

## Lizzie Foote Trust Fund Account

### Receipts

Carried forward January 1, 1955	8.85
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds	77.65
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Total Receipts	\$86.50

### Expenditures

None	
Balance carried forward January 1, 1956	<hr/> \$86.50*

\* This sum reserved for purchase of new reference material.

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## Butler Trust Fund Account

### Receipts

Carried forward January 1, 1955	9.20
Received from Trustees of Trust Fund	25.90
Received Interest December 30, 1955	1.21
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Total Receipts	\$35.41

### Expenditures

Books	22.35
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Total Expenditures	\$22.35
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Balance carried forward January 1, 1956	\$13.06

SYBIL G. PEASE  
Treasurer

## MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT

### January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Number cases	64
Total Receipts	\$1,375.00
Paid:	
State Motor Vehicle Department	990.00
Town of Pittsfield	377.08
Forms and Postage	7.92
	<hr/> \$1,375.00

Respectfully submitted,  
E. J. STAPLETON  
Justice

## MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT

### Special Justice — 1955

Number of Cases	3
Total Receipts	\$5.00
Paid Town of Pittsfield	5.00
Special Justice Fees	9.00

Respectfully submitted,  
KENARD F. AYLES  
Special Justice

## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

### BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955, 235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong places or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands

or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being carried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 3,864 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The records show only 2 permit fires got out of control. This proves several things — while wardens were liberal in the issuance of permits, accomodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciating their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them. The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burned could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated. Will YOU do YOUR share to bring this about?

### Remember

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. The law requires it.
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.
3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

### BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE

Number of local fires — 3.  
 Number of acres burned —  $9\frac{1}{2}$   
 Number of permits issued — 100

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. KING  
 District Fire Chief

FRED W. REED  
 Forest Fire Warden



## FIRE AND POLICE SIGNAL SYSTEM

### REPORT FOR 1955

During 1955 the fire alarm system functioned perfectly striking 47 alarms and one no-school signal. There were 14 alarms from street boxes and 23 from the box at the Leather Factory due to telephoned fire calls. All telephoned fire calls were correctly understood by the watchmen taking them; and correctly repeated to the fire department member taking the message. All messages received from the factory watchmen should be repeated to him by the taker at the fire station to be sure it is correctly understood, as there are similar names and similar sounding locations.

Due to the rebuilding of certain streets, poles had to be moved or new ones erected. This necessitated change from time to time of the Town signal wires and fire alarm boxes in these areas. Due to the age of the old fire alarm wires and supporting fixtures it was deemed advisable by the Fire Department Officials and the Selectmen to replace all affected wires and fixtures with new material. The costs were considerable; and a special appropriation was allowed by the Budget Committee.

As no notice of these contemplated changes was given to this Department before June, no earlier appropriation was asked at Town Meeting time. Material had to be suddenly found, purchased and delivered, and the temporary shifting of wires and boxes done at various times, as street work progressed, and finally the new construction completed. The final work was not completed until December. As the Town had to depend on the services of the Public Service Company linemen and their equipment, which services were fortunately arranged for us by Mr. Herrick, the local Public Service Company manager, and the town owes him their thanks. If we had not had their services, and had had to hire a contractor, the labor costs would have been excessive due to intermittent change overs before permanent construction could be done.

For the past three years I have called attention to the gradual deteriorations of the storage batteries which power the fire alarm system when the Public Service Company power is cut off or fails. The batteries have been in use for 12 years; and are no longer reliable. The plates are shedding; and their electrical storage capacity is greatly diminished. They could not be expected to operate the alarm system for over a few hours. When new, they could operate it for 40 or more hours. They must be replaced and probably will be before Town Meeting. We can't afford a failure of the alarm system due to their failure.

During the past year, a Radio Base Station was purchased for the Fire Station. This station enables contact with the radio equipped fire trucks and the Forest Fire Warden's car, when they are going to a fire, are at one, or returning; which is a



very valuable matter, especially should there be another fire. It also permits radio communication with other fire departments, equipment, and with the Mutual Aid Center at Loudon. This set was purchased at a reduced price through the State Civil Defense Agency. Fire Department Radio Systems operate on the State Forestry System network and can be contacted by the State Civil Defense System. This station has already proved its value to the Town Fire Department. One new fire alarm box has been set on the westerly end of Smith Street to give that whole area better street box protection. The number is 52.

### Recommendations

That the Fire Engineers now make a positive assignment of a reliable and properly instructed man to remain at the fire station when all apparatus and men are out on a fire call, to take any telephone fire calls that might come, to cover street box alarms, and to keep in touch with the apparatus by radio. If no one is at the station should another fire call come by telephone, the call would be lost and the fire burn. This assignment is a very necessary matter.

Also I would recommend that a yearly appropriation of at least \$500 be made to gradually replace the old, bare copper wire which is 60 years old and deteriorating and many cross arms that are rotting.

I believe work should start at Boxes 25 and 27, continue through Main St. to Box 33. From Main St. at Box 31 to Box 18 and to alarm bell in Pittsfield Shoe factory.

From Main St. through Broadway to Cram Ave. and up to Town Hall bell.

From Tilton Hill Rd. through Catamount St. up to Box 45 at Maple and Manchester St., also from Catamount St., to Adams Bros. factory for bells there.

From Main St. through Chestnut to end of old wire on Bridgt St.

From Chestnut to Elm on Green St. New wire would be covered and so more protected from high voltage current, should the power wires above them fall and come in contact, which could cause burn outs in various parts of the Fire Alarm System.

### *Police Signal System*

This system has been generally efficient. Some trouble has been caused by the new street work, one to pole relocation, some by electrical failure of certain units; one by an unknown person who shot out a blue signal light.

The system should be tested each night when Police Officers go on duty and any failure immediately reported.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM B. ELY

Supt., Fire and Police Signal Systems

## REPORT OF TOWN FORESTRY COMMITTEE

The Town of Pittsfield owns six separate tracts of forest land containing in all approximately 145 acres, these are, to wit: the Dr. F. H. Sargent tract, the Dustin - Barker tract, The Pest House tract, the F. P. Green tract, the Lane Hartwell tract, and the Paige tract. On the first four mentioned tracts there have been set 45,200 pine transplants, there is at this time a worthwhile stand of fast growing pine on the first three mentioned tracts. On the Green tract the pines are beginning to look better, there is some Hemlock. These tracts have been looked over by your Forestry Committee in 1955.

That a vast improvement is apparent where the trees have been pruned; and further that Blister Rust is taking a heavy toll of our pines on the Dustin - Barker tract, and on the Pest House tract, (please do not say this is not so until you go look.)

The Lane Hartwell tract of fifty acres is well covered with a good growth of Pine, Spruce, Hemlock and Hard Wood of good size.

The Paige tract of 23 acres has a lot of growing Pine on it.

### Recommendations

That Moth Extermination be continued.

The trees on the most of these tracts should be pruned for reason: First, to promote faster growth; Second, to improve the quality of lumber to be cut in the future years; Third, if the lower branches were removed, it would stop a lot of inoculation by the spore from the current and gooseberry bluish that cause Blister Rust. (We ask you, this being the fact, is it not worth while to prune our pines.)

The Lane Hartwell tract, the bounds should be established and tract looked over and a price placed on same.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. FREESE

RICHARD C. FOSS

FRANK T. GARLAND

## REPORT OF TOWN TREE WARDEN

The sum of one thousand, five hundred dollars was allocated at the 1955 Town Meeting to protect and improve Pittsfield shade trees. The care of these trees was entrusted to your tree warden. While pursuing this work, counsel has been taken with the State Forester and the board of Selectmen and suggestions that were in the best interest of the Town, have been acted upon as far as help could be employed.

All of the trees within the Village limit, including those within the confines of the parks, school yards and cemeteries have been sprayed once and elms as far as they could be reached have had two extra sprays, one in early spring and one in the early fall.

This includes all private trees that could be reached when asked to have them sprayed.

There have been three trees removed on account of age, five on account of Dutch Elm disease, three by the State Highway and three by the Public Service Company of New Hampshire. There have been a lot of limbs removed. There have been seven trees set out, there have been three trees repaired, young trees fertilized, painted and cared for.

Fourteen trees lost in Pittsfield in one year is a lot of trees.

### Recommendations

Every one knows it is impossible to destroy all of the insects in any one year, although there were a lot destroyed as is evident by a comparison of Pittsfield trees with trees in towns not sprayed. The DUTCH ELM DISEASE HAS BEEN FOUND ON OUR TREES, there were three elms removed in 1953, two in 1954, and five in 1955, infected with DUTCH ELM. The undersigned believes that if we want to save our trees they should be sprayed in 1956, the elms in early spring and again in early fall, and all of them about the first of June. There should be some young trees set where trees have been removed, and a lot of dead wood removed and a few trees braced if we want to save our trees.

All of the elm trees upon private property in the village limits should be sprayed if we want to save our trees.

Our trees are honorable Citizens; let us respect them as such.

When we plant and care for trees let us trust that we are planting ourselves to be remembered for the benefit of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK T. GARLAND

Town Tree Warden

## DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION REPORT

From January 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956

Number of prenatal and maternity visits		65
Number of baby visits		25
Number of nursing visits		2,124
Number of pre-school visits		131
Number of Infant Welfare visits		94
Number of social service visits		66
Number of clinics		2
Child health conference		1
Total attendance		72
Dental clinic (total attendance)		21
Total visits during year		2,505
Fees collected during year:		
By nursing	\$1,954.58	
From Welfare cases by nursing	156.14	
Total fees collected		\$2,110.72
Expenses during year:		
Office supplies, telephone, etc.	\$75.00	
Auto expenses	294.30	
Total expenses during the year		\$369.30

N. B. The school work will be found in the superintendent's report.

DORIS H. DROLET, R. N.  
IDELLA B. JENNESS, Chairman

Herewith is a report of the Health work which has been done in your community by the Bureau of Public Health Nursing of the N. H. State Department of Health, co-operating with your District Nurse.

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Child Health Conferences:	
Number held	1
Total Attendance	72
Immunization Clinics:	
Number held	3
Total Attendance	143
Polio Clinics:	
No. children receiving 2 shots	89
Number receiving 1 shot	8

Very truly yours,

GERTRUDE J. SNOW  
Public Health Nurse  
Bureau of Public Health Nursing  
N. H. State Department of Health



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**of**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT**



**of**

**PITTSFIELD, N. H.**

**FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING**

**June 30, 1955**



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# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSFIELD

## PART I. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

### (a) Officers of the School District

#### Moderator

PHILIP W. SHERBURNE

#### Clerk

ELIZABETH BURBANK

#### School Board

MARY OSGOOD

Term Expires 1956

THOMAS MCKOAN

Term Expires 1957

ERALSEY FERGUSON

Term Expires 1958

#### Treasurer

FRED W. REED

#### Auditors

PHILIP W. SHERBURNE

WAYNE B. EMERSON

#### School Nurse

DORIS H. DROLET

#### Union Secretary

VIVA M. NEHRING

#### Superintendent of Schools

JOHN W. DAY

## (b) Report of the Superintendent

### INSTRUCTION

I suppose your school board and superintendent should take consolation in the fact that all other communities face the same acute problems in selecting a staff. However, we realize so thoroughly that the success of our school system is based on the quality of its teaching, that this problem takes precedence over all others. We find that our present salary schedule is inadequate. We are pleased that we can maintain a fine core of teachers who are local folks and who share in every respect the problems of a relatively poor community with a large pupil population. A stable faculty is necessary for best results. Every year we lose some of our best teachers to other communities and states. It is very hard to secure the best of the new teachers with minimum salaries and not create injustices to the older staff members who are very faithful and expert in their teaching. The new budget cuts several appropriations to the bone so that we can be in a better position to employ and hold teachers.

School began in September 1955 with a staff of twenty-five full time teachers and a part-time music teacher. There were nine changes in personnel.

Miss Violet Kimball was added as the new teacher for the third division of grade 1. She is fully qualified and had one previous year of experience.

Mr. Charles Dustin resigned to accept a position with much higher salary in New York State. Miss Marjorie Campbell, a graduate of Keene Teachers' College with several years' experience, replaces him to teach the language arts courses in grades 7 and 8.

Mrs. Clarice Constant, who has taught before in our schools and served for several years as a substitute, was persuaded to accept a full-time teaching position in one of the two grade three divisions.

Mrs. Juila Merryfield resigned late in the summer to accept a position in Maine, where her husband is also teaching. Mrs. Elizabeth Levy was employed for one of the first grade divisions. She formerly taught in Virginia. Following her resignation in December, Mrs. Ruth Bailey was employed. Mrs. Bailey is a graduate of the University of Maine and has taught previously in Westbrook, Maine.

Mr. Edward Levy teaches high school English, French and civics. He is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire. In addition to his qualifications for the academic work, he has much training and ability in music.

Mr. Philip Allin was on our staff for one year, and did much to improve standards in the commercial department. He was

drafted to military service in June. Miss Laura MacNeill is our new commerce teacher. She is a graduate of Plymouth Teachers' College and is thoroughly trained in the commercial field.

Mr. Carl Rodenhiser replaces Mr. Pierpont as our physical education director. Mr. Pierpont resigned in June to move to Massachusetts. Mr. Rodenhiser is a graduate of Springfield College and Utah State University. He has had additional related training in the military services.

Miss Gloria Dorman, graduate of Plymouth Teachers' College, replaced Mr. Henry Simonds as high school mathematics teacher. Mr. Simonds resigned in June to return to the air corps. We have recently employed Mr. Alvin Blake of Laconia to complete the year. Mr. Blake is a graduate of Keene Teachers' College. He has had two years experience in public school teaching and several years of industrial teaching experience with Pratt & Whitney.

Mr. Paul Woods of Manchester has handled our instrumental and vocal training program through the first semester. We are now seeking a new part-time music instructor so that the band and glee club organizations can continue.

Last spring, after the school district meeting, we learned that we were to have an unusually large first grade in September, possibly as many as 76. A decision was made to combine a part of grade 7 with some of grade 6 and assign this group to one teacher. Admittedly, such a combination is not the best arrangement educationally. We felt that three first grade divisions were a necessity. There were no funds for either an extra room or an additional teacher. The arrangement has worked out reasonably well.

### BUILDING PROBLEMS

I always dislike to compromise between what is educationally best and what is financially expedient. When funds are limited however, there sometimes is little choice.

To provide for the additional elementary classroom, we have converted the second floor storage room at the Grammar School to a useful cafeteria. We obtained advice from a local carpenter about safety factors. Steel columns filled with cement were installed from the basement floor, to give additional support to this second story. Sections of the floor were replaced and the room was painted. It now provides a nice lunch room for the children of both schools. The room formerly used as a cafeteria provides the additional classroom. The budget committee was consulted. Approval was given to use about \$1000 of the probable balance for these improvements. In effect, then, an additional room and teacher of the primary grades were provided with no increase in taxes.

The school board invited several representative citizens to study our future school needs during this school year. Members



of this group have freely volunteered their time to make this study. They are operating independently of the school officials and will probably make a report of their decisions soon.

Every effort is being made to utilize our present buildings fully, without large expenditures. It may be that we can provide for the continuing increase in enrollments in this manner, until a major portion of our indebtedness is paid off.

The list of repairs and improvements completed in your school is long. It was itemized recently in the Valley Times. Each year we continue our program of painting, repairing furniture, replacing old machines and completing minor repair in plumbing and roofing. We are pleased with the results.

A new water main has been laid from the street connection to the Grammar School. Sound-proofing in the high school cafeteria has been installed so that the room will be useful as a study hall. An asphalt paving contract at the high school completes the front driveway and the other roads have been oiled. Some old window shades have been replaced. New folding chairs have been supplied for the gym. A few new desks and chairs have been added to replace the old and provide for increased enrollments.

The new budget requests money for continued upkeep. A major improvement will be the conversion to oil in both Memorial and Grammar schools. This will provide more efficient heating and will free room for better use of present building space.

## ENROLLMENTS

In a community with fluctuating business conditions, it is especially difficult to predict school enrollments accurately. We may reasonably expect our present enrollment of 540 to increase to nearly 570 in September 1956. Tuition pupils make up about one-third of the high school membership, and all the children benefit from a broader program. If our figures do not change materially, we may anticipate 620 in attendance in 1959-60 and as many as 690 in 1964-65.

## FINANCES

I am happy to report a favorable financial situation. For the present school year, we expected State Aid of \$13,000. The General Court appropriated more equalization funds so that we actually received \$18,932.17. There was a net balance of about \$1000 after funds were withheld to improve the Grammar School. The appropriation voted in March 1955 required taxes of \$103,627.23. Because of increased income, the amount needed from taxes was reduced several thousand dollars. Of course, no more money was available for actual spending.

An increase in tuition receipts this year makes it possible to



cover the emergency appropriation for the new water main. In fact, it appears now that we may close the books in June 1956 with another \$1000 balance.

The new budget requires a moderate increase. In my opinion, there is no room for further cutting without curtailing our present program. We must provide for approximately 30 more pupils in addition to the normal increases in cost.

I am most grateful for your support of our school system. I would remind you that we cannot afford to be indifferent to the quality of our educational opportunities. Business is becoming aware of its need for trained employees. There can be no doubt in our minds now about the importance of highest quality American citizenship. Your schools play an increasingly important part.

JOHN WILMAN DAY

## PART II. INSTRUCTION

### (a) Teachers 1955-56

NAMES	PRESENT TEACHING ASSIGNMENT
MEMORIAL SCHOOL	
Harriet Ames	Principal and Grade 1
Elizabeth Levy )	Grade 1
Ruth Bailey )	Grade 1
Violet Kimball	
Sybil Pease	Grade 2
GRAMMAR SCHOOL	
Rachel Sherburne	Principal and Grade 3
Esther Marsh	Grade 2
Clarice Constant	Grade 3
Phyllis Murdough	Grade 4
Lillian Tuttle	Grade 4
HIGH SCHOOL	
Paul Prescott	Principal
Flora Perkins	Grade 5
Vera Bouchard	Grade 6
Ira Clark	Grade 6 - 7
S. Daniel Cagnina	Grade 7 - 8, Social Studies
Marjorie Campbell	Grade 7 - 8, English
D. Rita Davis	Grade 7 - 8, Mathematics and Science
Gloria Dorman )	Mathematics & Jr. Bus. Training
Alvin Blake )	
Jacqueline Hamilton	Home Economics and Guidance
Howard Kelley	Science
Edward Levy	English, French and Civics
Laura MacNeill	Commerce
Mary McGuirk	English and Latin
Henry Munroe	Social Studies
Mark Rines	Shop and Driver Education
Carl Rodenhiser	Physical Education
Paul L. Woods	Music

## PART II. INSTRUCTION

### (b) Pupil Statistics

	Total Sept. '55	Tuition	Estimated Sept. '56
Grade 1	72		58
Grade 2	55	2	65
Grade 3	57	1	56
Grade 4	47		57
Grade 5	24		47
Grade 6	42	2	24
Grade 7	43	2	42
Grade 8	45		43
Grade 9	55	24	58
Grade 10	37	16	51
Grade 11	35	18	35
Grade 12	28	9	34

### Census Summary Report

	No. Local children 0 - 18	No. in local Schools
September 1955	786	465
September 1954	800	463
September 1953	797	439
September 1952	779	429
September 1951	774	415
September 1950	731	399
September 1949	720	406

## PART III. FINANCES

### (a) Annual Report of the School District Treasurer

#### For School Year 1954-55

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954		
(Treasurer's bank balance)		\$2,981.86
Received from Selectmen		
Current Appropriation	\$99,145.04	
Received from State Treasurer		
State Funds	14,217.68	
Received from Tuitions	16,859.00	
Received from Trust Funds	3,090.54	
Received from All Other Sources	216.86	
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Total Receipts		\$133,529.12
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		
(Balance and Receipts)		136,510.98
Less School Board Orders Paid		134,277.66
Balance on Hand June 30, 1955		
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)		\$2,233.32

FRED W. REED

July 25, 1955

Treasurer

### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Pittsfield, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

PHILIP W. SHERBURNE  
WAYNE B. EMERSON

July 25, 1955

Auditors

### Report of the Veterans' Administration Funds

Bank Balance on Hand July 1, 1954	\$629.54
Paid Out on Warrants from School Board	41.61
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Bank Balance on Hand July 1, 1955	\$567.93

FRED W. REED  
Treasurer

## (b) Financial Report of the School Board

## School Year 1954-55

## Receipts

## Federal Aid:

Smith-Hughes and George-Barden \$ 533.26

National School Lunch and Special Milk 2,166.99

Total

\$2,700.25

## State Aid:

Foundation Aid

11,517.43

Total

\$11,517.43

## Local Taxation:

Current Appropriation

99,145.04

Total

\$99,145.04

## Other Sources:

Elementary School Tuitions

960.00

Secondary School Tuitions

15,899.00

Trust Funds

3,090.54

Other

168.37

Total

\$20,117.91

Total Net Receipts from All Sources

\$133,480.63

Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year, July 1, 1954

General Fund

2,981.86

Veterans' Administration

629.54

Total

\$3,611.40

GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS

\$137,092.03



## Payments

	Total Amount	General Expenses	High School	Elem. School
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>				
Salaries of district officers	\$ 420.00		\$ 117.60	\$ 302.40
Supt.'s Salary (local share)	1,301.80		364.50	937.30
Tax for statewide supervision	914.00		218.00	696.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	1,036.75		290.29	746.46
Supplies and Expenses	1,147.72		321.36	826.36
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>				
Teachers' Salaries	72,884.09		26,932.05	45,952.04
Books and other instructional aids	2,499.94		1,191.77	1,308.17
Scholars' Supplies	2,939.75		1,191.72	1,748.03
Supplies and other expenses	821.99		322.07	499.92
<b>OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>				
Salaries of Custodians	6,092.07		1,678.66	4,413.41
Fuel or Heat	3,718.59		1,242.19	2,476.40
Light, Supplies and Expenses	4,276.62		1,421.61	2,855.01
<b>MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>				
Repairs and Replacements	3,067.65		1,492.87	1,574.78
<b>AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES</b>				
Health Supervision	612.08		244.00	368.08
Transportation	6,089.30			6,089.30
Tuition	204.15			204.15
Drake Field	2,138.84		1,069.42	1,069.42
School lunch (federal and district funds only)	2,092.75		721.63	1,371.12
<b>FIXED CHARGES</b>				
Retirement	5,467.26		1,815.40	3,651.86
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	1,100.96		410.48	690.48
Total Net Current Expenses	\$118,843.81		\$41,063.12	\$77,780.69
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>				
Lands and New Buildings	2,149.33		1,074.69	1,074.69
Additions and improvements to buildings	3,090.94		1,449.52	1,641.42
New equipment	1,867.14		663.39	1,203.75
<b>DEBT AND INTEREST</b>				
Principal of debt	7,000.00	7,000.00		
Interest on debt	1,285.00	1,285.00		
<b>ADULT EDUCATION</b>				
Veterans' training program	41.61	41.61		
Total net payments for all purposes	134,260.38	8,326.61	\$44,233.22	\$81,700.55
Cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1955) General Fund				2,831.65
<b>Grand Total Net Payments</b>				<b>\$137,092.03</b>

## BALANCE SHEET

### Assets

**June 30, 1955**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	\$2,831.65	
Tuition from Gilmanton School District	260.00	
Tuition from Epsom School District	160.00	
Total Assets		<u>\$3,251.65</u>
Net Debt: Excess of Liabilities Over Assets		\$68,085.79
GRAND TOTAL		<u>\$71,337.44</u>

### Liabilities

Advance on 1955-56 Appropriation		
Barnstead Tuition, (overpayment) credit	141.00	
Painting Contract, Drolet	100.00	
June Light Bills	207.00	
June Telephone Bills	40.00	
Town of Pittsfield Oiling	100.00	
Lunch Programs	84.24	
N.H. — Vt. Hospitalization Service	10.20	
Notes and Bonds Outstanding	69,000.00	
Amounts Reserved for Special Purposes		
Lunch Room Project	1,000.00	
Shop Equipment	205.00	
Winterizing Auditorium	450.00	
Total Liabilities		<u>\$71,337.44</u>

**(c) A Statement of Salary of the Superintendent**

July 1, 1954 - June 30, 1955

Paid by:	Share	Salary
Alton School District	19.7%	\$906.20
Barnstead	8.5	391.00
New Durham	4.1	188.60
Pittsfield	28.3	1,301.80
Tuftsboro	10.1	464.60
Wolfeboro	29.3	1,347.80
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		\$4,600.00
State's Share		2,500.00

**(d) Statement of Bonded Indebtedness of the District****after July 1, 1956**

AMOSKEAG NATIONAL BANK, Manchester

New High School Building

## Payments Due

May 1957	3,000.00	
May 1958	3,000.00	
May 1959 (Interest at 1.7%)	3,000.00	
May 1960	3,000.00	
May 1961	2,000.00	
	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00

MEREDITH VILLAGE SAVINGS BANK

(transferred from Indianhead National Bank)

September 23, 1956, and yearly

thereafter through 1967	4,000.00	48,000.00
(interest @ 1.75%)		\$62,000.00

# (e) School Board's Budget and Budget Committee's Budget for School Year 1956-57

## Expenditures

	Actual 1954-55 Expenditures	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Expenditures July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57	Budget Committee Budget 1956-57
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>					
Salaries of district officers	\$420.00	425.00	\$300.00	\$425.00	\$425.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	1,301.80	1,367.10	1,367.10	1,359.60	1,359.60
Tax for state wide supervision	914.00	928.00	928.00	938.00	938.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	1,036.75	1,200.40	825.40	1,214.20	1,214.20
Supplies and expenses	1,147.72	1,075.90	877.53	1,174.20	1,174.20
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>					
High school teachers' and principal's salaries	26,932.05	29,580.00	9,633.83	33,024.00	33,024.00
Elementary teachers' and principals' salaries	45,952.04	50,470.00	15,948.17	52,826.00	52,826.00
Books and other instruction aids, high	1,191.77	1,000.00	500.40	800.00	800.00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	1,308.17	1,500.00	692.45	1,200.00	1,200.00
Scholar's supplies, high	1,191.72	1,300.00	905.45	1,200.00	1,200.00
Scholar's supplies, elementary	1,748.03	2,000.00	1,709.45	1,800.00	1,800.00
Supplies and other expenses, high	322.07	300.00	190.73	250.00	250.00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	499.92	300.00	379.24	250.00	250.00
<b>OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>					
Salaries of custodians, high	1,678.66	1,700.00	887.33	1,800.00	1,800.00
Salaries of custodians, elementary	4,413.41	4,500.00	1,978.27	4,500.00	4,500.00
Fuel or heat, high	1,242.19	1,500.00	241.87	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	2,476.40	2,800.00	827.26	3,000.00	3,000.00
Light, supplies and expenses, high	1,421.61	1,550.00	766.34	1,600.00	1,600.00
Light, supplies and expenses, elementary	2,855.01	2,675.00	1,430.95	2,700.00	2,700.00
<b>MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>					
Repairs and replacements, high	1,510.37	1,212.00	1,013.18	1,250.00	1,250.00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	1,574.78	1,638.00	1,217.28	1,750.00	1,750.00



## AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

Health supervision, high	244.00	300.00	13.00	300.00	300.00
Health supervision, elementary	368.08	600.00	3.10	600.00	600.00
Transportation, high		10.00			
Transportation, elementary	6,089.30	5,990.00	1,809.27	5,100.00	5,100.00
Tuition, elementary	204.15	220.00		220.00	220.00
Special activities, and special funds, high				2.50	2.50
Special activities and special funds, elementary				2.50	2.50
School lunch and special milk, high	721.63		189.36		
School lunch and special milk, elementary	1,371.12		398.98		
Drake Field, high	1,069.42		1,482.29		
Drake Field, elementary	1,069.42	2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00

## FIXED CHARGES

Retirement, high	1,815.40	2,136.13	543.28	2,300.00	2,300.00
Retirement, elementary	3,651.86	3,786.98	1,160.17	4,036.12	4,036.12
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses, high	410.48	482.08	53.67	448.00	448.00
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses, elementary	650.43	744.14	462.33	896.69	896.69
		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00

## CONTINGENCY FUND

## CAPITAL OUTLAY

Lands and new buildings, high	1,074.69				
Lands and new buildings, elementary	1,074.69				
Additions and improvements, high	1,449.52	975.00	890.77	300.00	300.00
Additions and improvements, elementary	1,641.42	1,625.00	1,965.81	3,500.00	3,500.00
New equipment, high	645.89	750.00	437.78	460.00	460.00
New equipment, elementary	1,203.75	547.50	3,007.93	518.00	518.00

## DEBT AND INTEREST

Principal of debt	7,000.00	7,000.00	4,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Interest on debt	1,285.00	1,164.00	599.50	1,043.00	1,043.00
Veteran's Administration	41.61				

TOTAL EXPENDITURES or  
SCHOOL APPROPRIATION

	\$134,260.38	\$142,552.23	\$59,637.47	\$148,487.81	\$148,487.81
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RECEIPTS

	Actual Receipts 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Receipts July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57	Budget Committee Budget 1956-57
Balance (actual or estimated)	3,611.40	1,000.00	2,243.72	1,000.00	1,000.00
State Aid	11,517.43	13,000.00	18,932.17	18,932.17	18,932.17
Federal Aid	2,700.25	500.00	500.50	500.00	500.00
Trust funds	3,090.54	2,500.00		2,100.00	2,100.00
High school tuition	15,899.00	16,000.00	335.00	16,530.00	16,530.00
Elementary school tuition	960.00	925.00		1,200.00	1,200.00
Other Contingency	168.37	5,000.00	715.63	5,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES	\$37,946.99	\$38,925.00	\$22,727.02	\$45,262.17	\$45,262.17

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT RAISED  
OR TO BE RAISED BY  
PROPERTY TAXES

TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$99,145.04	\$65,000.00	\$101,225.64	\$101,225.64
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Special Appropriations to be Financed by Bond Issues,  
Serial Notes, or Capital Reserve Funds

4 - \$500 notes For Oil Burners

	\$137,092.03	\$87,727.02	\$146,487.81	\$146,487.81
		2,000.00		2,000.00
			\$148,487.81	\$148,487.81

Budget Committee

DORIA W. RIEL	CLEON R. PLANTE
ADOLPH J. DAROSKA	CHARLES S. COLBY
FRED R. SPOFFORD	JAMES D. ADAMS
RICHARD C. CLARK	JEROME L. VAN HORN
L. PARKHURST ESTABROOK	GORDON R. WELDON
JOHN B. VARNEY	JOHN H. PERKINS, JR
THOMAS F. MCKOAN	ALFRED F. JENISCH

**(f) Notification of School Assessment — 1955****Expenditures**

Current Expenditures	\$130,490.73	
Additions and Improvements	2,600.00	
New Equipment	1,297.50	
Debt and Interest	8,164.00	
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$142,552.23</b>

**Receipts (1955-56)**

Balance, June 30, 1955 (Estimate)	\$1,000.00	
State Aid, (Estimate)	13,000.00	
Federal Aid, (Estimate)	500.00	
Tuition (Estimate)	16,925.00	
Trust Funds (Estimate)	2,500.00	
Other Receipts (Estimate)	5,000.00	
Assessment Required to Meet School District Appropriation	103,627.23	
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$142,552.23</b>

**Certificates****To the Board of Selectmen:**

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Pittsfield School District held March 4, 1955.

BETTY BURBANK

Clerk of the School District

**To the State Department of Education**

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1955-56, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Laws of 1951, Chapter 37, Section 2.

THOMAS F. MCKOAN

Chairman of the School Board

## (g) An Itemized Statement of Expenditures

SCHOOL YEAR 1954 - 55

1. Salaries of District Officers:		
Thomas McKoan, School Board		\$100.00
Eralsey Ferguson, School Board		100.00
Mary Osgood, School Board,		100.00
Betty Burbank, Clerk		5.00
Philip Sherburne, Moderator		5.00
Fred Reed, Treasurer		100.00
Wayne Emerson, Auditor		5.00
Philip Sherburne, Auditor		5.00
Total		<hr/> \$420.00
2. Superintendent's Salary (Local Share)		
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		\$1,301.80
Total		<hr/> \$1,301.80
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision:		
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		\$914.00
Total		<hr/> \$914.00
4. Salaries of Other Administration Personnel:		
Supervisory Union 49, Union Secretary		\$636.75
Henry Simonds, Census		100.00
Supervisory Union 49, Pittsfield Bookkeeping		300.00
Total		<hr/> \$1,036.75
5. Supplies and Expenses:		
Supervisory Union 49, Mary Osgood		\$560.70
New England Tel and Tel Company		531.82
The Valley Times		46.00
School Service Company		2.76
Joe Wigon		6.44
Total		<hr/> \$1,147.72
6. Teachers' Salaries:		
	Gross	Net
Allin, Philip	\$2,900.00	\$2,314.60
Ames, Harriett	3,150.00	2,463.10
Bouchard, Vera	2,700.00	1,982.30
Cagnina, S. Daniel	2,784.87	2,219.87
Clark, Ira	2,784.87	2,190.87
Davis, Rita	2,900.00	2,405.60
Dustin, Charles	3,150.00	2,751.28
Giles, Sterling	2,800.00	2,591.90
Hamilton, Jacqueline	2,950.00	2,341.20
Kelley, Howard	2,800.00	2,402.40

Ladieu, Raymond	1,100.00	989.90
Marsh, Esther	2,600.00	1,852.30
Merryfield, Julia	2,700.00	2,019.50
Munroe, Henry	2,900.00	2,674.60
Murdough, Phyllis	2,950.00	2,203.70
McGuirk, Mary	2,700.00	2,125.20
Pease, Sybil	2,950.00	2,101.20
Perkins, Flora	2,700.00	2,260.90
Pierpont, Clyde	2,770.00	2,546.40
Prescott, Paul	4,600.00	3,953.60
Reagan, Margaret	2,990.00	2,458.59
Rines, Mark	3,200.00	2,984.30
Sherburne, Rachel	3,220.00	2,259.10
Simonds, Henry	3,000.00	2,641.70
Tuttle, Lillian	2,950.00	2,190.68
Barnes, Emma	170.00	170.00
Constant, Clarice	275.00	275.00
Wry, Catherine	50.00	50.00
Director of Internal Revenue		2,450.90
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston		4,869.60
New Hampshire Teachers Retirement		5,088.80
New Hampshire-Vermont Hospitalization Service		1,055.00
Total		\$72,884.09
Division - High School		26,932.05
Elementary		45,952.04
7. Books and Other Instructional Aids:		
Purchased from:	High	Elem.
American Book Company	\$81.34	\$55.29
Beckley-Cardy Company		55.28
Bennett, Charles A. Company, Inc.,	50.76	
Boston Music Company	31.62	
Brenner Davis Phonics		25.00
Bruce Publishing Company	15.00	6.96
Coats and Clarks Sales Corporation	3.50	
Evans, Ruth		18.99
Fischer, Carl, Inc. of Boston	73.22	.
Follett Publishing Company		44.44
Funk and Wagnalls Company	2.18	
Garrand Press		14.29
Ginn and Company	46.70	225.12
Gledhill Brothers, Inc.		5.50
Hal Leonard Music, Inc.	9.96	
Harcourt, Brace and Company, Inc.	155.47	
Heath, D. C. and Company	175.66	
Henry Holt Company	31.60	
Houghton Mifflin Company		44.81

Kenworth Educational Service		12.50
Kinsman, H. S. Company, Inc.	3.85	
Macmillan Company, The	38.15	
McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc.	22.53	
Mosley's Motor Express	1.90	
Nutting, William L. Company	5.00	5.00
Prentice-Hall, Inc.	6.30	
School-Crafters, Inc.		12.64
Scott, Foresman and Company	38.88	244.57
Scribner's, Charles, Sons		62.00
Seavey Hardware Corporation	202.48	24.96
Van Horn's Village Spa	43.20	
Welch, W. M. Manufacturing Company	107.50	54.69
Winston, John C., Company		<b>33.76</b>
World Book Company	44.97	362.37
	<b>\$1,191.77</b>	<b>\$1,308.17</b>
Total	<b>\$2,499.94</b>	

## 8. Scholars' Supplies:

Purchased from:	High	Elem.
Allyn and Bacon, Inc.	15.20	
American Education Publications		74.75
American Automobile Association	34.33	
American Heritage	10.00	
Arts Cooperative Service, The		9.03
Bartlett's Department Store	16.00	7.26
Beckley Cardy Company	4.36	
Bradley, Milton, Company		256.98
Cambasco Scientific Company	3.12	
Cardigan Sport Store	38.90	54.15
Carr, Howard L.	3.42	
Cascade Paper Company	18.14	60.53
Catamount Lumber Company	28.12	10.81
Concord Supply Company, Inc.	12.58	4.20
Continental Press, Inc., The	9.72	
Croft, Arthur C., Publications		1.60
Eastman, Edson C. Company		9.50
Educational Test Bureau		8.89
Elan Publishing Company	9.40	9.40
Ernie Rose Sports Equipment	7.18	
Faltin, J. E. Motor Transportation	3.98	
First National Stores	17.22	8.61
Garrand Press, The		8.91
Ginn and Company	1.09	1.54
Girouard, Louis P.	11.00	5.21
Gledhill Brothers, Inc.	20.10	39.83
Hammett, J. L. Company	1.73	220.74
Harcourt, Brace and Company, Inc.	23.52	



Hinkson Paper Company	114.82	112.34
Holden Patent Book Cover Company, Inc.	13.41	13.00
Holt and Bugbee Company	200.00	44.04
Houghton, Mifflin Company		42.08
Household Finance	2.50	
Hutchinson, Edward B.		5.54
Jobs	3.50	
Journal of Business Education, The	5.00	
Kinsman, H. S. Company, Inc.	3.85	
Knirsch, Carl F.	4.80	
Lemery, Carl F.	6.00	3.00
Mainco Trading Company		71.10
Nat'l. School Public Relations Assoc.	2.00	3.00
New York Times	11.90	
News Map of the Week, Inc.	16.50	16.50
Osborne Company, The		7.98
Owen, F. A. Publishing Company		4.75
Parents' Institute		7.00
Pelissier's Garage	113.43	
Pittsfield High General Account	25.00	
Rex-Rotary Distributing Corporation	20.48	
Rine's Garage	4.47	
Ruwe Pencil Company, The	19.00	47.93
Scholastic Magazines	1.50	
School-Crafters, Inc.	15.53	15.52
School Service Company	9.66	
Science Research Association	39.04	
Scott, Foresman and Company		266.53
Seavey Hardware Corporation	14.97	6.00
Sherburne, Rachel		5.25
Singer Sewing Machine Company	2.00	
Smith, Ralph H. Corporation	19.40	
Stanley Tools	.75	
Supervisory Union No. 49	22.64	47.59
The Grade Teacher		4.00
Trace, V. E.		2.20
University of New Hampshire	4.48	
Valley Times, The		33.18
Webster Publishing Company		10.27
Wolkins, Henry S., Company	179.51	82.39
World Book Company	26.47	104.90
	\$1,191.72	\$1,748.03
Total		\$2,939.75

## 9. Salaries of Clerical Assistants:

None

## 10. Supplies and Other Expenses of Instruction:

Purchased from:	High	Elem.
American Book Company	13.97	33.01
Americana Corporation	87.50	
American School and University	8.20	
Balfour, L. G., Company	70.77	
Bennett, Charles A., Company		1.19
B'nai B'rith Vocational Service, The		2.90
Brine, James W., Company	25.00	14.43
Day, John W.	2.00	8.00
Educators Progress Service	9.77	10.00
Field Enterprises, Inc.		139.36
Fischer, Carl, Inc.	1.83	
Follett Library Book Company		6.38
Goodheart Willcox Company	6.36	
Green, Elgin L.	29.95	
Hale, E. M., Company		50.40
Hamilton, Jacqueline	5.30	
Hammond, C. S. and Company		7.75
Heath, D. C. and Company		10.36
Interstate Printers and Publishers, The	3.89	
Ladieu, Ray	2.78	
MacMillan Company, The	3.92	
Martin and Murray Company, Inc.		81.40
National Education Association, The	4.36	1.08
National Industrial Conference Board	5.00	
New England Tel and Tel Company	8.90	
Pittsfield High School Account	11.16	11.16
Prentice Hall, Inc.	4.92	
Rice Film Company		11.15
Scott, Foresman and Company		5.68
Simon and Schuster, Inc.		4.82
Supervisory Union No. 49	12.94	26.86
Trace, V. E.		1.10
University of New Hampshire	3.50	
Visual Curriculum Center		72.84
	\$322.07	\$499.92
Total		\$821.99

## 11. Salaries of Custodians:

	High	Elem.
Ames, Irving	\$1,117.73	\$1,046.15
Burnham, Edward	8.00	2,277.52
Corson, Clyde	226.25	316.63
Dustin, Charles	4.00	4.00

Kelley, Howard	13.20	13.20
Sherburne, Philip		14.00
Steele, Donald	24.00	23.95
Director of Internal Revenue	80.00	203.60
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston	82.00	205.60
N. H. Employees' Retirement System	82.68	267.96
N. H. - Vt. Hospitalization Service	40.80	40.80
	\$1,678.66	\$4,413.41
Total		\$6,092.07
12. Fuel or Heat:		
Purchased from:	High	Elem.
Hillsgrove Oil Company	\$227.83	\$111.02
Huckins Oil Company	1,014.36	1,011.68
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange		607.80
Sprague, C. H. and Son, Company		745.90
	\$1,242.19	\$2,476.40
Total		\$3,718.59
13. Lights, Janitorial Supplies and Expenses:		
Purchased from:	High	Elem.
American Floor Products		99.10
Ames, Irving	15.00	14.51
Bartlett's Department Store	2.17	2.17
Cascade Paper Company	12.85	13.00
Catamount Lumber Company	56.37	56.38
Dolge, C. B. Company, The	22.75	22.75
Gene's Hardware	7.69	
Holcomb, J. I. Manufacturing Company	82.97	153.20
Kent Agency of Massachusetts, Inc.	197.84	265.91
Masury-Young Company	58.76	58.73
Maxfield, H. P. Inc.	5.34	2.47
McGrath, James	16.00	29.80
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	1.42	2.82
Mt. Kilburn Paper Company, Inc.	28.52	57.04
Murray, Allan H.	11.25	11.25
Pelissier's Garage	1.45	
Pioneer Manufacturing Company, The	37.51	98.12
Public Service Company of N. H.	767.48	1,853.79
Rogers, Joseph C.	49.50	49.50
Sanders, Nils, Company	10.00	21.40
Sears, Roebuck and Company	7.80	7.78
Sherburne, Rachel		1.24
Smith, R. H., Company	7.75	7.63
Stackpole, W. A. Motor Transportation	3.00	5.70
Valley Times, Inc., The	1.24	3.72
West Disinfecting Company	16.95	17.00
	\$1,421.61	\$2,855.01
Total		\$4,276.62

## 14. Repairs and Replacements:

Purchased from:	High	Elem.
Ames, Irving	35.00	139.03
Bartlett's Department Store	8.75	11.97
Cagnina, S. Daniel	50.00	25.00
Cascade Paper Company		14.57
Catamount Lumber Company	108.37	119.66
Concord Supply Company	9.00	3.60
Contois, Arthur W.	133.00	286.60
Corson, Clyde		21.75
Director of Internal Revenue	12.40	5.20
Drew, Charles	7.50	16.50
Drolet, Hector	3.25	62.14
Dustin, Charles	19.00	45.00
Farm Implements, Inc.	1.52	
Farnham, Donald		8.00
Finnegan, C. E.		5.75
Gene's Hardware	5.17	2.58
Hammett, J. L., Company		29.28
Huckins Chevrolet, Inc.	.75	
International Business Machines Corp.	13.64	10.00
Kant-Slam Door Check Company	9.95	
Kelley, Howard	82.00	95.60
Knirsch, Carl F.	3.60	8.75
Ladieu, Ray F.	1.84	
Masury-Young Company		43.00
Maxfield, H. P., Inc.	17.55	30.26
McGrath, James F.	53.01	20.03
Merrimack Farmer's Exchange	11.07	17.21
Pelissier's Garage	.26	6.00
Pierpont, Clyde		6.00
Pike, L. M., and Son		221.00
Prescott, Paul	100.50	112.00
Rex-Rotary Distributing Corporation	170.00	
Rice, Charles, W. and Company, Inc.	48.88	24.00
Rines, Mark	61.10	30.60
Rogers, J. C.	27.00	44.00
Sander, Nils, Company	5.40	32.47
Sears, Roebuck and Company	13.88	
Sherburne, Philip	8.00	28.00
Sherman, Howard K.	7.50	22.50
Smith-Corona Typewriters, Inc.	15.00	
Supervisory Union No. 49	4.72	9.43
Underwood Corporation	387.50	
West Disinfecting Company	9.26	
Wigon, Joe	47.50	10.25
	\$1,492.87	\$1,574.78
Total		\$3,067.65

15. Health Supervision:			
F. B. Argue, M. D.	52.00		
Green's Drug Store	5.00	8.08	
H. Jackson Teets, M. D.	27.00		
Pittsfield Nursing Association	160.00	360.00	
	\$244.00	\$368.08	
Total		\$612.08	
16. Transportation:			
Marston, Samuel		1,700.00	
Suncook Valley Transportation Company		4,389.30	
Total		\$6,089.30	
17. Tuition:			
State Board of Education		\$204.15	
18A. School Lunch:			
(Federal and District Funds Only)	High	Elem.	
Grammar School Lunch Program		725.52	
High School Lunch Program	721.63	645.60	
	\$721.63	\$1,371.12	
		\$2,092.75	
18B. Special Activities - Drake Field:			
Ames, Irving		\$46.00	
Bartlett's Department Store		33.31	
Berry, Francis		390.00	
Bastable, Joseph		100.00	
Cardigan, Sport Store		71.85	
Catamount Lumber Company		5.11	
Concord Lumber Company		34.26	
Contois, Arthur W.		19.39	
Corson, Clyde		10.50	
Ernie Rose Sports Equipment		3.70	
First National Store, Inc.		4.20	
Fleet, Fred H. Jr.		46.00	
Green's Drug Store		1.31	
Huckins Garage		6.50	
Huckins Oil Company		.75	
Kelley, Howard		18.70	
Maxfield, H. P., Inc.		21.32	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange		91.83	
Pelissier's Garage		16.06	
Public Service Co., of N.H.		46.06	
Rines, Mark		19.20	
Sherburne, Philip		686.00	
Spofford Farm Equipment		297.80	
Trace, V. E.		10.75	
Van Horn's Village Spa		13.74	
Weldon, Sylvia		144.00	
Total		\$2,138.84	
	High	1,069.42	
	Elem.	1,069.42	



## 19. Retirement:

	High	Elem.
N. H. Employee's Retirement System	104.54	299.22
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	1,667.79	3,266.48
Supervisory Union 49	43.07	86.16
	\$1,815.40	\$3,651.86
Total		\$5,467.26

## 20. Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses:

Avery Insurance Agency		341.14
Harriman and Paige Insurance		611.86
N. H. School Boards Association		10.00
Supervisory Union No. 49		137.96
Total		\$1,100.96
	High	410.43
	Elem.	690.43

## 21. Lands and Buildings:

Irving W. Hersey Assoc.		\$2,149.38
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## 22. Additions and Improvements to Buildings:

Bartlett's Department Store		.94
Catamount Lumber Company		22.66
Concord Lumber Company		36.85
Foss, Gordon		41.00
Huckins Oil Company		708.61
Kelley, Howard		38.00
Maxfield, H. P., Inc.		42.15
McGrath, James F.		246.75
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange		5.08
New Hampshire Fence Company		30.00
Philbrick, William E.		16.50
Pierpont, Clyde		11.50
Plke, L. M. and Son		1,527.50
Prescott, Paul		136.60
Rines, Mark		72.60
Sander, Nils, Company		147.20
St. George, Joe		7.00
		\$3,090.94
	High	1,449.52
	Elem.	1,641.42

## 23. New Equipment:

Auclair Transportation, Inc.		7.34
Cardigan Sport Store		71.00
Cascade Paper Company		90.66
Concord Supply Company, Inc		109.80
Daroska, A. J.		10.12

Eastern Fire Equipment, Inc.	12.22
Finnegan, C. E.	15.00
Freye, George C., Company	6.69
Little Giant Window Brackett Company	35.50
Mainco Hearing Service of N. H.	93.25
Maxfield, H. P. Inc.	4.10
Paris Manufacturing Company	973.85
Parker Furniture Company	26.90
Rex-Rotary Dist. Corporation	27.50
Sanel Auto Parts, Inc.	8.75
Seavey Hardware Company	188.38
Signal Auto Supply, Inc.	6.00
Spofford Farm Equipment	100.00
Sunbeam Corporation	19.92
Supervisory Union No. 49	56.60
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	\$1,867.14
Less Credit - Charles Rogers Company	17.50
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	1,849.64
	High
	645.89
	Elem.
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	1,203.75
25. Principal of Debt:	
Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$3,000.00
Meredith Village Savings Bank	4,000.00
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Total	\$7,000.00
26. Interest on Debt:	
Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$340.00
Meredith Village Savings Bank	945.00
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Total	\$1,285.00

## PART IV.     AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL REPORTS

### (a) Report of the Principal

During the school year 1955-56, the high school staff has conducted a workshop with Dr. Robert Doxtator of the University of New Hampshire serving as consultant. The staff has divided into small groups to work on problems of their own choosing to attempt to find answers and solutions. Much of this work has already resulted in improved teaching and in methods that have benefitted the school and the students. The teachers are participating in this workshop without pay and without credit.

Standardized tests, administered by the University of New Hampshire, show that our students are equal in native scholastic ability, compared with students elsewhere in the state. These same tests show that Pittsfield High School students average a little higher in reading ability than other high school students in New Hampshire. Nevertheless, we have intensified our program of developmental reading. All teachers in all subject matter areas have been given reading instruction and are working especially on those phases that pertain to their subject matter. In grades seven through twelve we have given three standardized tests during the year. These tests show that, on an average, our students are developing those reading skills that are so essential to success, not only in school work but in life and work after school.

Our guidance work continues to be of importance. Mrs. Jacqueline Hamilton, who has had special training, is continuing with this work in grades seven through twelve. She is now forming plans for another full-scale career day. This activity is conducted to help students wisely choose a life career.

The school is continuing its program of canteen dances on the Friday nights on which there are no basketball games. These affairs have been well attended and are more successful than ever before. It was with regret that the school was forced to limit attendance at these affairs to members of the student body.

An effort has been made to raise the caliber of work being done by college preparatory students. A special form of reporting progress of these students to their parents has been adopted and is now being carried out.

A number of committees, composed of townspeople and teachers, have been formed to study various phases of the school's program. One of these committees is studying the Industrial Arts Curriculum. The members of this committee are Mr. Robert Barnett, Mr. Frank Hillsgrove, Mr. James McGrath, Mr. Adelard Pelissier, Mr. Mark Rines and Mr. Paul Prescott. Other schools'

programs have been visited, and at this time it is expected that certain recommendations will be made. The committee and the school are seeking to find ways of better training those boys who will work in trade industry.

Another committee has been studying the Homemaking Department and the whole field of family life education. The members of this committee consist of Mrs. Fred Avery, Mrs. Thurston Carpenter, Mrs. Romeo Drolet, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jenisch, Mrs. Jacqueline Hamiton and Mr. Paul Prescott. With many complex problems confronting the family today, there is the feeling on the part of some that all young people need a more adequate preparation for the problems that they will so soon face. The knowledge that today one out of three persons is married before the age of 18 causes us to re-evaluate our whole program.

Another committee is in the process of being formed to consider the school's program of education in the areas of conservation, health, safety and recreation.

The percentage of participation indicates the success of the lunch program. Between sixty-five and seventy percent of our students participated during this year; this is, of course, the greatest ever. We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Charles Green in charge of the entire program. During the year, Mrs. Green will have purchased the food, prepared and served about thirty-five thousand meals.

The somewhat lower turnover of teachers this past year has been reflected in a more stable school. We were particularly fortunate in having to replace only one of our six elementary teachers in this building.

Pittsfield High School was one of two schools in the state that sent a delegate to the National Student Council Convention at Ardmore, Pennsylvania, June 1955. Linda Bartlett was the student who so very ably represented us. Plans are completed for sending Robert Curtis to the 1956 convention which will be held at Toledo, Ohio. Our student council is becoming more active in those activities that are rightfully classified as student government. Our student council has invited all student councils of central New Hampshire to come to Pittsfield for their annual spring workshop.

Our driver education classes, taught by Mr. Rines, are continuing to keep up with the demand. With very few exceptions, all students complete this course on or about their sixteenth birthday. All those students who have satisfactorily completed the course have passed their examinations for their operator's license. The splendid cooperation given this program by the Motor Vehicle Department of the state is greatly appreciated.

The school continues to have many problems. We list a few:

1. Lack of interest on the part of some students in utilizing the opportunities that are theirs.

2. The lack of ambition on the part of some students in terms of post-secondary plans and work. It is most unfortunate that some of our young people with great potential abilities are content to follow the line of least resistance.

3. Studies show that, our entire country and at all age levels, there is an increasing refusal to develop self-discipline. We, in our school, are not immune to this dangerous trend.

4. The welfare of our boys and girls is worthy of more interest and concern on the part of parents. During the year, a public exhibit of work of 117 students enrolled in our homemaking and shop class was attended by only three parents. We have never had more than two parents in a year wishing to discuss their child's choice of studies.

At the same time, the members of the staff wish to express their appreciation of the many acts of kindness and words of encouragement extended to them by parents, townspeople and organizations. In turn, the townspeople may well be proud of a staff that so eagerly cooperates and works together for the welfare of their young people.



## (b) School Health

### Report of School Nurse

Number of visits to the School	788
Number of Children Given Physical Examination	520
Number of Children Examined by Doctors	59
Number of Children Excluded from School	14
Number of Treatments in School	223
Number of Children Accompanied to Oculist and Optometist	6
Number of Children Attending Immunization Clinic	72
Number of Children Attending Dental Clinic	21
Number of Home Visits	44
Time Given to School Work (half-days)	130

	No. Affected	Corrected
Underweight	6	1
Defective Vision	46	66
Defective Teeth (Temporary)	42	317
Defective Teeth (Permanent)	153	
Enlarged Tonsils	35	2
Posture	8	6
Bites Nails	71	23

### CASES OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Chicken Pox, 15; Measles, 1; Mumps, 11; Whooping cough, 1.

The general condition of health among the school children seems very good. During the year, we had an epidemic of chicken pox, measles and whooping cough. Twenty-one children had their dental work completed at the dental clinic by our local dentist. This work included: Temporary extractions — 35; permanent extractions — 43; porcelain fillings — 13; silver fillings — 33; x-rays — 4; cleaning — 13. This dental clinic is a great help to the children in the lower grades and we plan to have a clinic every year. We have had our annual pre-school and immunization clinic sponsored by the State Board of Health Nurse, assisted by our local doctors. Seventy-two children attended. We had our first polio vaccine clinic, sponsored by the State Board of Health nurse, assisted by our local doctors. Ninety children were given polio vaccine. We do appreciate the help given us through the state, Red Cross, Rotary, Women of Rotary, Salvation Army, and other organization. We wish to thank parents, teachers and school officials for their kind cooperation with the school health program.

DORIS H. DROLET, R. N.

School Nurse

### (c) Drake Field Report for Summer 1955

The young people of Pittsfield, ages 6-14, once again have enjoyed eight weeks of supervised play at Drake Field. The average daily attendance was about 75 youngsters. On slow days a minimum of 50 different youngsters would put in an appearance, while on busy days as many as 125 might be present.

The point competition, instituted by Mr. Francis Berry during the previous summer, was carried on during the season, the Sioux versus the Mohawks. Over 300 different youngsters earned points during the season. This competitive system seemed to work better with the younger children. The older youngsters are more independent and want to choose their own games to play, rather than to join in directed activities.

Besides the young people using playground facilities, older boys and girls used equipment. Upwards of 50 adults took part in a sunset softball league.

The season was climaxed by a Field Day with tournaments, track and field events, a costume parade, pie-eating contest and ice cream for 175 youngsters. Prizes and ribbons were awarded to winners.

Miss Sylvia Weldon is to be commended for the extremely capable way in which she handled the program for the younger children. Miss Weldon displayed initiative, patience, excellent planning and an untiring zeal for her work.

The only adverse note to be reported is the general tendency for Pittsfield youngsters to have small regard for public property.

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES R. DUSTIN

# **PART V. SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1956-57**

**(Subject to Change)**

## **PITTSFIELD — BARNSTEAD**

<b>1956</b>		
Sept.	4	General Teachers' Meeting
	5	School Opens
Oct.	18-19	Teachers' Convention
Nov.	12	Veterans' Day
Nov.	21	Schools close at 1 p.m. for Thanksgiving recess
Nov.	26	Schools re-open
Dec.	20	Schools close at 3:30 for Christmas vacation
<b>1957</b>		
Jan.	2	Schools reopen
Feb.	15	Schools close at 3:30 p.m. for one week vacation
Feb.	25	Schools reopen
Apr.	12	Schools close at 3:30 p.m.
Apr.	22	Schools reopen
May	30	Memorial Day — No school
June	14	Schools close for Summer Vacation

**Total — 182 Days**

This calendar is subject to changes authorized by your school board, State of New Hampshire education authorities, or when school is called off because of dangerous storms and emergencies. The minimum legal requirement is 180 days. Teachers' attendance at the State Teachers' Convention, Institutes and approved workshops will count as school days. If more than two days are lost time will be made up on Saturdays preceding vacations or by continuing beyond June 14.

## DISTRICT MEETING

### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of **PITTS FIELD**, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Greenleaf Auditorium in said district on the 8th day of March, 1956 at eight o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund and state building aid, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to borrow a sum of money, not to exceed \$2,000.00 for the installation of oil burners at the Memorial School and the Grammar School.
10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Pittsfield, this 14th day of February, 1956.

ERALSEY C. FERGUSON  
THOMAS F. MCKOAN  
MARY D. OSGOOD

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ERALSEY C. FERGUSON  
THOMAS F. MCKOAN  
MARY D. OSGOOD

School Board



# Births Registered in the Town of Pittsfield for the Year Ending

December 31, 1955

DATE	PLACE	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
Jan. 10	Concord	Virginia Arline	Harvey Albert Marston	Frances Arline Bartlett
Jan. 21	Concord	Baby Gardner	Earl Leroy Gardner	Maxine Elizabeth Sargent
Jan. 25	Laconia	Famela Leona	Charles James Ayer	Barbara Leona Clark
Jan. 28	Concord	William Robert	Robert Nichols Feeny	Marjorie Helen Marston
Feb. 23	Concord	Kenneth Charles	Weymouth Vincent Derby	Helen Estelle Dunbar
Feb. 28	Concord	Thomas Ralph	Robert Lawrence Gwin, Sr.	Barbara June Perkins
Mar. 2	Concord	William Sumner	Raymond Sumner Bodwell	Florence Elaine Worth
Mar. 4	Concord	Sally Ann	James Henry Thorpe	Patricia Ann Dumont
Mar. 7	Laconia	Linda Gayle	Frank Charles Volpe	Clara Eureka Smith
Apr. 6	Concord	Steven Levi	Elliot Levi Towle	Lois Rita Hutchins
Apr. 13	Concord	Linda Lee	Alpha Ronald Vien	Jeannette May Rollins
Apr. 23	Concord	David Frank	Paul Eugene Riel	Theresa Mae Sherburne
Apr. 27	Concord	Daniel Julius-Adolf III	Daniel J.-A. Adel, Jr.	Carrol Ann Smith
May 2	Dover	Pamela Elaine	Mark Freeland Rines	Shirley Elizabeth Wilson
May 26	Concord	Malcolm Harold	Clifford Almon Fife	Alice Ernestine Moses
June 1	Kittery, Me.	Gerard Anthony	Norman Edward LeDuc	Mary Frances Manning
June 1	Kittery, Me.	Gerald Arthur	Norman Edward LeDuc	Mary Frances Manning
June 1	Concord	Carroll, Jr.	Carroll Hodgdon Sr.	Naomi Ruth Joy
June 13	Concord	Harold Alfred	Tancrade Ameda Bousquet	Olive Lina Buzzell
July 16	Concord	Peter John	Kenneth Norman Osborne	Rachel Sakovich
July 18	Kittery, Me.	Priscilla Germaine	Kenneth Willie Magoon	Elise Germaine Rita St. George
Aug. 10	Rochester	Kenneth Maynard	Kenneth Victor Wood	Dorayne Mae Perkins
Aug. 13	Concord	Steven Maurice	Maurice Ronald Genest	Marguerite Stella Felix
Aug. 15	Concord	Lindy Richard	Carl Edward Howe	Alice Ruth Bockus
Aug. 23	Concord	Judith Ann	Thurston John Carpenter	Elizabeth Ann Tilton
Aug. 26	Laconia	Pamela Ann	Alvah Hayes Dow III	Barbara Mae Gray
Aug. 28	Concord	Michael David	Norman Arnold Bouchard	Barbara Catherine Wells
Sept. 5	Concord	Carol Ann	Ralph Wallace Brewster, Sr.	Joyce Herndon
Sept. 6	Concord	Cynthia Diane	Robert Arthur Fickard, Jr.	Carol Knight Cookson
Sept. 6	Concord	James David	Earl McKinley Elliott	Marion Atwood Harper
Sept. 10	Plymouth	Lynne Denise	Charles Ray Dustin	Dorothy Ruth Merrill
Sept. 23	Concord	Robert Charles	Robert William Hemeon	Jennette Hazel Yeaton
Sept. 26	Concord	Dennis Philippe	Leon Oscar Chagnon	Lorraine Muriel Lessard
Sept. 28	Concord	Margaret Ann	David Alden Sweeney	Helen Norwood Chandler
Sept. 30	Concord	Keith Graham	Archie Samuel Rogers	Myrtle Justine Leavitt
Oct. 14	Concord	Katherine Mary	Howard Francis Kelley	Mary Elizabeth Cunningham
Oct. 18	Concord	John Slater	George Albert Reed	Caroline Louise Tonkin
Oct. 19	Exeter	James Paul	Paul Elijah Tasker	Barbara Elizabeth Brown
Oct. 30	Concord	Gary Edward	Gerald Irving Gilman	Dolores Achrista Brown
Nov. 16	Concord	Jonathan Wayne	Clayton Leslie Knox	Barbara May Davis
Nov. 16	Concord	Kimberly Ann	Reuben True Leavitt	Doris Elsie Bockus
Nov. 24	Concord	Barbara Baker	Frederic Abbe Franzheim	Isabelle May Baker
Nov. 25	Concord	Steven John	Edwin John Kaine	Diana Locke Merrill
Dec. 4	Concord	Peter Alan	Richard Royal Lank	Patricia Evelyn Kenneally
Dec. 8	Concord	Barbara Anne	Floyd Francis Flanders	Helen Margaret Miller
Dec. 17	Kittery, Me.	Pamela	Leonard Speed Drew, Jr.	Barbara Lee Boyd
Dec. 17	Concord	Kevin Calvin	Calvin Cummings Joy	Gladys Elva Fifield
Dec. 26	Concord	Eleanor Edith	Frank William Edgerly	Eleanor Elaine Clark
Dec. 31	Concord	Virginia Carolyn	David Jonathan Clark	Mary Esther Bockus
Dec. 31	Concord	Clement Jason	Oscar Morris Chagnon	Rita Mary Eaton



# Marriages Registered in the Town of Pittsfield for the Year Ending December 31, 1955

DATE	PLACE	Names of Bride and Groom	By Whom Married
Jan. 21	Concord	James Frank Golden Beverly Anne Loan	Rev. Arlington E. Wry Ordained Baptist Clergyman
Jan. 29	Pittsfield	Kenneth Willie Magoon Eiise Germaine St. George	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
Feb. 5	Greenville	Earl S. Jennings Dorothy Pickard	Rev. Eugene S. Watson Minister
Feb. 5	Pittsfield	Arthur Stephen Contois Olive Gertrude Iacovone	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Feb. 12	Pittsfield	Albert E. Riel Nellie K. Contois	Ralph W. Brewster Justice of the Peace
Feb. 12	Pittsfield	Charles Hiram Cate Ardra Lettice Hodgins	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Mar. 12	Pittsfield	Melvin Winthrop Mulkhey Dorothy Ann Contois	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Mar. 31	Pittsfield	Michael Hassen Daley Gloria Anne Foss	Fr. Hilary M. Tardif, O.F.M. Roman Catholic Priest
Apr. 6	Durham	Sidney Cabot Gates Patricia Lee Perkins	Henry H. Hayden Clergyman
May 7	Pittsfield	Ronald James Riel Marilyn Elizabeth Forbes	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
May 13	Pittsfield	Carroll Hodgdon Naomi Ruth Joy	Ralph W. Brewster Justice of the Peace
May 17	Pittsfield	Michael Bowman Smith Shirley Rita Reardon	Rev. Arlington E. Wry Ordained Baptist Clergyman
May 28	Pittsfield	Richard Everett Clark Maxine Lee Herrick	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
June 24	Chichester	William Henry Dodge Lydianne Joyce	Rev. H. Franklin Parker Clergyman
June 25	Pittsfield	Charles Ralph Miner Margaret Exilda Picard	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
June 25	Seabrook	Oscar M. Chagnon Rita M. Eaton	H. Hawthorne Benedict Minister
June 25	Pittsfield	Norman Edgar Bishop Virginia Ray Ayles	Rev. Arlington E. Wry Ordained Baptist Clergyman
July 1	Pittsfield	William George Robinson Shirley Fay Riel	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
July 2	Pittsfield	Richard Royal Lank Patricia Evelyn Kenneally	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
July 23	Pittsfield	Avard Waldo Benton Patricia Ann Moore	Otto S. Hoofnagle Clergyman
Aug. 17	Plymouth	Ivan F. Foss Ora B. Osborne	J. Claire Peaslee Justice of the Peace
Aug. 20	Pittsfield	Wendell E. Dodge Pauline M. Ladd	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Aug. 20	Pittsfield	John Edwin Allen Shirley Jean Bousquet	Rev. Arlington E. Wry Ordained Baptist Clergyman
Aug. 20	Pittsfield	Kenneth George Sawyer Joan Sylvia Danis	Luke M. Chabot, O. F. M. Roman Catholic Priest
Sept. 25	Pittsfield	Earl William Palmer Elizabeth Mae Hill	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Oct. 15	Pittsfield	Albert F. Alves Karolena B. Parkman	Rev. H. Franklin Parker Clergyman
Oct. 22	Pittsfield	Rodney N. Davis Dorothy L. Drolet	Rev. Paul Vadeboncoeur Roman Catholic Priest
Oct. 29	Pittsfield	Carl A. Band Barbara A. Colby	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Nov. 11	Pittsfield	Louis Augustus DeHart Abbie Nora Marston	Rev. Leslie G. Strathern Minister of the Gospel
Dec. 31	Pittsfield	Edwin Willis Mason Lillian May Mitchell	Rev. H. Franklin Parker Clergyman

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Pittsfield  
for the Year Ending  
December 31, 1955**

DATE	PLACE	NAME	AGE
Jan. 12	Laconia	Baby Boy Barton	7 hrs., 53 min.
Jan. 13	Concord	Albert W. Duclos	69
Jan. 20	Concord	Herbert Durant	78
Jan. 22	Concord	Baby Boy Gardner	13 hrs. 42 min.
Jan. 26	Laconia	Myrtle Maude Dailey	71
Mar. 1	Laconia	Wilfred J. Dupuis	48
Mar. 3	Epsom	Gertrude Hannah Gove	85
Mar. 4	Pittsfield	Anna Marie Burns	73
Mar. 8	Pittsfield	Jesse Samuel Corson	53
Mar. 16	Concord	Augustus Truman Philbrick	85
Mar. 17	Pittsfield	Napoleon Genest	75
Apr. 7	Pittsfield	Mary Elizabeth Richardson	91
Apr. 12	Loudon	Hiram Richmond Dolph	68
May 2	Pittsfield	Mary Taro Wilson	88
June 2	Pittsfield	Mathias Nicholas Altenhofen	66
June 6	Manchester	Fred Herbert Walcott	73
June 20	Pittsfield	Almira Jane Meara	66
June 25	Concord	John Hollis Elkins	50
July 7	Pittsfield	Frank Marshall Cutler	91
July 18	Epsom	Peter Fuller	51
Aug. 5	Concord	Edward F. Finnegan	68
Aug. 8	Concord	Ira Bailey	68
Aug. 20	Concord	Lewis Rawson Buswell	71
Aug. 26	Concord	Steven Maurice Genest	13 days
Sept. 10	Pittsfield	Nancy Kretchmar	4
Sept. 16	Goffstown	Amable J. Houle	88
Sept. 25	Pittsfield	Ernest Gilbert Fournier	47
Sept. 29	Pittsfield	Fred W. Evans	89
Oct. 2	Laconia	Marion Lambert Ames	63
Oct. 30	Concord	Clara H. Goddard	79
Nov. 7	Pittsfield	Annie A. Crowley Wilcomb	86
Nov. 21	Nashua	Leticia Dow Domingue	90
Nov. 24	Manchester	Linden Earl Sheehan	34
Nov. 30	Pittsfield	Harry Clifton Green	79
Dec. 1	Pittsfield	Euzeb Oshier (Auger)	82
Dec. 29	Pittsfield	Emma S. Dore	82

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK S. HILLSGROVE

Town Clerk

Errata: Treasurer's Report  
Trust Funds

Hazel W. Hurd, c/o ½ lot 13, Ave. 1, Floral Park	150.00
Leonard & Anna I. Amadon, c/o ½ lot, Floral Park	150.00
Katherine L. Leeds, c/o William A. Sheehan lot, Floral Park	200.00
Evelyn Erickson, c/o Frank Abbott lot, Floral Park	200.00
Lida J. Smith, c/o Benjamin F. Smith lot Floral Park	300.00
Alfred B. Marsh, c/o Samuel Marsh lot, Floral Park	200.00
Gladys M. Wilson, c/o Grace Gordon lot, Floral Park	85.00
Ena Farwell, c/o Wallace & Ena Farwell lot Floral Park	200.00
W. D. & William Small, c/o Walcott-Small lot Floral Park	100.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o John & Frank A. Walker lot Floral Park	700.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o John A. Walker lot, Floral Park	500.00
Mrs. F. A. Walker, c/o Ashael Easton lot, Floral Park	300.00
Scott A. Cutler, c/o Frank M. Cutler lot, Floral Park	250.00
Herbert Ames, c/o East ½ lot 8, Ave. J, Row 2 Floral Park	150.00
Helen Jacques, c/o Edward Mack and Phil D. Parsons lot, Floral Park	300.00
Frank W. True Est., c/o Frank W. True lot, Floral Park	100.00
Lizzie B. Avery, additional to William Gould lot, Floral Park	50.00
Lizzie B. Avery, additional to Burt and Lizzie Avery lot, Floral Park	50.00
Alice G. Drew, c/o Elbridge G. Drew lot, Floral Park	300.00
Cora I. Fellows, Elvira Smith lot, 6 S.E. side Ave. E Floral Park	200.00
Roland G. Hartwell, Exec., c/o Lewis R. Buswell lot, Floral Park	300.00
Clifton Richardson, c/o Fred and Mary Richardson lot Floral Park	150.00







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